

**CHARACTERISTICS OF FOOD STAMP HOUSEHOLDS: August 1980,
WITH COMPARISONS 1975-1980**



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Highlights of Findings

1. Gross incomes averaged \$326 per month for food stamp households in the 48 States and D.C. in August 1980, up from \$314 in November 1979, according to results from the two most recent food stamp characteristics surveys. About one-half of participating households had gross incomes of less than \$300 per month in August 1980.
2. Average monthly gross income was \$207 for a one-person household and increased successively as household size increased to \$575 for households with 8 or more persons in the 48 States and D.C.. About 53 percent of households with incomes under \$300 had only one person.
3. Some 87 percent of participating households had gross incomes at or below poverty and 97 percent gross incomes below 130 percent of poverty in August 1980.
4. Net income per household averaged \$194 per month in August 1980. About three-fourths of participating households had incomes under \$300 per month. The largest difference between gross and net incomes, reflecting allowable deductions, was for the \$100-\$199 income range.
5. Net monthly income was \$87 for one-person households and increased successively to \$428 for 8 or more members. Income per person declined as household size increased.
6. Aid to Families with Dependent Children and General Assistance as a group was the most widely received source of income--47 percent of households received income from this source. The second most frequent source of income included Social Security and other Pensions. Earned income was the third most widely received income source, but was the largest in dollar amount per household for those receiving it.
7. Some 10.2 percent of household heads were employed full time and another 4.8 percent employed part time in August 1980.
8. Some 19.5 percent of participating households had one elderly member (age 60 or more) and 3.1 percent had two. On a per capita basis, incomes were higher for households with elderly and the amount of deductions claimed were higher, but benefits received were less than for households with no elderly.
9. Average size of participating households was 2.8 persons in August 1980. More than one-half of the total were one and two-person households.
10. Three-fourths of participating households had no countable assets in August 1980. Another 20 percent had countable assets of \$500 or less. Countable assets were greater for households with elderly than for those without elderly.
11. Food stamp benefits received per household averaged \$89 per month in August 1980, up from \$75 in February 1978 prior to implementation of the Food Stamp Act of 1977. Value of benefits received increased with household size. But benefits per person declined as household size increased.

12. Average gross income of participating households was 9 percent higher in August 1980 than in September 1975. But in constant dollars, or "real" income, it was 28 percent less. The decline in real income was less per person, however, due to smaller average household size in August 1980.

less than \$300 per month in September 1975, but this proportion increased to 78 percent in August 1980.

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

Today's Food Stamp Program is an outgrowth from the food assistance programs of the Great Depression. To help both farmers and consumers, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) began distributing surplus food to the Nation's hungry people in the 1930's.

By the late 1930's, the Department implemented an alternative pilot approach to food assistance known as the Food Stamp Plan. It ended in 1943 as World War II eliminated food surpluses and reduced unemployment. Interest in the Food Stamp Program (FSP) revived after the war and in 1961 the USDA established a new pilot FSP. The Food Stamp Act of 1964 established the FSP as a permanent program and authorized expansion to States on a voluntary basis to replace direct food distribution. During the following years, the USDA undertook a campaign to bring direct food distribution or food stamps to every county in the country.

In 1969, Congress greatly increased appropriations for the FSP as concern for eliminating hunger intensified. The Food and Nutrition Service was established in USDA at that time to operate all of the Department's food programs.

Congress established uniform national standards of eligibility for the FSP in 1971 and required all States to inform low-income people about the availability of the Program.

In 1974 the FSP went nationwide by the Congress requiring all States to offer food stamps to the poor. Program growth was rapid, increasing from 13 million recipients in January 1974 to 19.3 million in May 1975, primarily due to participants switching from the Food Distribution Program, rising unemployment due to recession and introduction of the program into Puerto Rico. As the economy improved in 1976 and 1977, participation declined to the 15 million level.

The Food Stamp Act of 1977 made several major changes in the FSP. The most significant revision was the elimination of the purchase requirement (EPR). Previously most participants were required to pay cash for a portion of their stamp allotment. After implementation of EPR, participants received the bonus only, with no cash payment. Other provisions of this Act reduced the income eligibility for participation, made work requirements more stringent, and eliminated categorical eligibility for Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients.

Eligibility restrictions of the 1977 Act removed an estimated 0.5 to 0.7 million participants from the food stamp rolls but these reductions were more than offset by increased participation due to EPR. Thus, the net result was an estimated increase of 3.5 to 4.5 million participants due to the 1977 Act. Thus, participation increased from 15.8 million in August 1978, prior to implementing the 1977 Act, to 22 million in August 1980.

Worsening economic conditions were also significant during this period. The rate of unemployment increased from 5.9 percent in August 1978 to 7.6 percent in August 1980. Inflation (as reflected by the Consumer Price Index for All Items) rose 26 percent over this period. Fuel and utility costs were rising exceptionally fast and incomes of food stamp participants were not keeping up with inflation.

INTRODUCTION AND BASIS OF SURVEYS

This report presents survey findings on the characteristics of households participating in the FSP of the USDA. Part I highlights findings of the latest survey for August 1980. Most of the data presented apply to participating food stamp households in the contiguous 48 States and District of Columbia. Some of the data also include Puerto Rico, but only if it is designated as such.

In Part II, some major characteristics of households in the August 1980 survey are compared with those of similar surveys conducted earlier by the USDA. In general this comparison spans the September 1975 to August 1980 period. Changes in the composition of the food stamp caseload over time, changing economic circumstances of food stamp households, and effects of major legislative changes in the FSP during this period are reflected in these comparisons.

Basis of Surveys

The August 1980 survey is based on a sample of participating households that is part of an ongoing review of the Food Stamp Quality Control (QC) System. The survey was based on a national probability sample of 45,000 participating households stratified by State with data collected independently by each food stamp agency. Data reported in this report represent a subsample of 4,140 observations from the larger QC review sample. Findings portray a cross section of the food stamp caseload at one point in time and are valid at the National level.

Previous surveys of food stamp characteristics are from samples of food stamp casefile information conducted for September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979. Sample data were selected from files of households that were certified eligible to participate in the FSP. Since most certified eligible households also participate in the Program, the data are believed to closely estimate household characteristics for the population of participating households in the 50 States and D.C.. ^{1/} In some of the surveys, profile data of participants in Puerto Rico were tabulated separately. Each of these surveys were conducted independently of the others; therefore, some of the data are not strictly comparable for all periods. These differences, however, are relatively slight. The time comparisons in this report give some insight into changes in characteristics of food stamp households over time. (For more detail on sampling methodologies see Appendix D).

In this report on characteristics of food stamp participants, the primary unit of analysis is the participating household. In a few instances findings are presented for individual persons in these households. Major findings of the survey are presented on the basis of such demographic and economic factors as household composition, income amounts, sources from which income is received, deductions for computing countable income, food stamp benefits received, and other household information.

^{1/}Approximately 8 to 10 percent of certified households chose not to participate (before EPR) in the FSP.

PART I

HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS, August 1980

Basis for Eligibility

To participate in the FSP, a household must meet prescribed income eligibility and resource eligibility standards provided for in food stamp enabling legislation.

Participation in the Program is limited to those households with relatively low incomes. For the 48 States and D.C., the income limitations applicable in August 1980 were the Nonfarm Poverty Income Guidelines prescribed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) which became effective July 1, 1980 (see Appendix B).

Income from all sources, except for some exclusions set out by legislation, constitutes gross household income. Certain deductions from gross income are allowed in determining a household's net income on which their eligibility to participate and benefit levels are based.

All households in the contiguous 48 States and D.C. were allowed a standard deduction from gross income of \$75 per month in August 1980. Twenty percent of earned income could be deducted as an "earned income deduction." An "excess medical deduction" for medical cost in excess of \$35 per month was available for households with members 60 years of age and older or who received supplemental security income benefits (SSI). A "dependent deduction" for actual cost not to exceed \$90 per month was also allowed for care of children or other dependents when necessary for a household member to seek or hold a job. Monthly shelter cost in excess of 50 percent of the household's income after other deductions was allowed. The shelter deduction alone or in combination with the dependent care deduction could not exceed \$90 in August 1980 for households with no elderly members. If the household contained a member 60 years of age or older, or receives SSI income, the household could receive a deduction for shelter cost that exceeded 50 percent of their monthly income after other deductions. Thus, the elderly and disabled were not subject to a cap on deductions.

Eligibility for food stamps is restricted to households who, in addition to meeting other requirements, have assets below statutory limits. The 1977 Food Stamp Act raised the limit to \$1,750 for most households of two or more persons. Households with one member or more age 60 or older are allowed up to \$3,000 in assets. ^{1/} All liquid assets such as bank accounts, stocks and bonds, are counted toward the limit. In addition, the value of vehicles individually valued in excess of \$4,500 are counted within the asset limit. Employment related assets such as personal effects and tools of a trade, as well as a vehicle used in a business are excluded.

^{1/}The \$1,750 was in effect from March 1979 to December 1980. In January 1981, it was lowered to \$1,500 as it was prior to March 1979.

Gross Income

Gross income, or income before countable deductions, of food stamp households for August, 1980, averaged \$326 per month for the 48 States and D.C. and amounted to \$116 per month for each household member.

About one-half of participating households had gross incomes of less than \$300 per month. The largest percentage of households (28.9 percent) were clustered in the \$200 to \$299 per month income range (Table 1). Some 82 percent of participating households had incomes of less than \$500 per month. Only 17 percent had gross incomes of \$500 or over.

The distribution of incomes of participating households is heavily associated with household size because income eligibility limits, which are based on gross incomes less allowable deductions, increase with household size. Smaller sized households become ineligible to participate at lower income levels than do larger ones.

The average gross income was \$207 per month for a one-person household and increased to \$571 for the 7-person household as shown below.

Household Size	Average Gross Income	Percent of Households
1	\$207	30.8
2	289	20.8
3	345	18.1
4	400	13.4
5	466	8.2
6	534	4.4
7	571	2.0
8+	575	2.4

Larger sized households tend to have more earned income and larger amounts of unearned income. Average income per person, however, declined as household size increased.

About 86 percent of all single-person households have incomes under \$300 per month and account for 53 percent of households in this income range. Gross incomes of all one-person households were less than \$600 per month. For the \$200 to \$299 income range which accounts for 29 percent of households, 57 percent are one member households, and 20 percent have two members. Only 6 percent of 5 member households have monthly incomes under \$300 (see Appendix Table A-4).

Table--1. Distribution of Food Stamp Households by Income Category, August 1980

Income Category	Gross	Net*
	Percent	
None	8.1	16.6
\$ 1 - 99	2.9	16.9
100 - 199	10.0	24.6
200 - 299	28.9	17.7
300 - 399	19.3	11.6
400 - 499	12.9	6.3
500 - 599	7.6	3.3
600 - 699	5.2	1.4
700 - 799	2.0	0.6
800 - 899	1.2	0.1
900 - 999	0.7	1/
1,000+	0.4	0.1
Unknown	0.9	0.9

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample (Appendix Tables A-6 and A-7).

*Net income is gross income minus allowable standard deduction, earned income and dependent care/excess shelter deduction and medical deductions for elderly and disabled.

1/Less than 0.05 percent.

However, 87 percent of all food stamp households had gross incomes at or below the poverty line before allowable deductions and 97 percent had gross incomes at or below 130 percent of the poverty line as shown below.

Gross Income as Percent of Poverty Line	Percent of Households
25 or less	12.5
26 - 50	11.4
51 - 75	32.4
76 - 100	30.9
101 - 125	8.8
126 - 130	0.9
131 - 150	1.5
151 - or more	0.5
Unknown	0.9

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control
Sample--(Appendix Table A-9).

Some participating households had incomes that were above the poverty line in August 1980 because eligibility was based on net income. Thus some households with large amounts of allowable deductions qualified for food stamp benefits even though their gross incomes were substantially above the poverty line.

Net Income

Average net income per household was \$194 per month in August 1980 or \$69 per person. About 58 percent of participating households had net incomes less than \$200 per month and 76 percent had incomes less than \$300 per month. Although 78 percent of households had three or fewer members, almost 94 percent had incomes below \$500 and below the maximum net income eligibility level of \$520 a month for a 3-person household.

Net incomes tend to rise with increasing size of households. The OMB Poverty Income Guidelines increase as household size increases (Appendix B). The average net income was \$87 per month for a one-person household and increased to \$421 for a seven-person household as shown below.

Household Size	Average Net Income	Percent of Households
1	\$ 87	30.8
2	164	20.8
3	205	18.1
4	256	13.4
5	321	8.2
6	381	4.4
7	421	2.0
8+	428	2.4

The distribution of households by net income differed significantly from the distribution on a gross income basis (figure 1). The largest difference between gross and net income was for the \$100-\$199 income category. This category included 25 percent of households on the basis of net income but only 10 percent on a gross income basis.

Income Sources

Participating households often receive income from more than one source. Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) and General Assistance as a group was received by 47 percent of participating households (table 2). Social Security and Pensions were received by 25 percent of participating households.

FIGURE 1

DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD STAMP HOUSEHOLDS
BY MONTHLY INCOME--AUGUST 1980

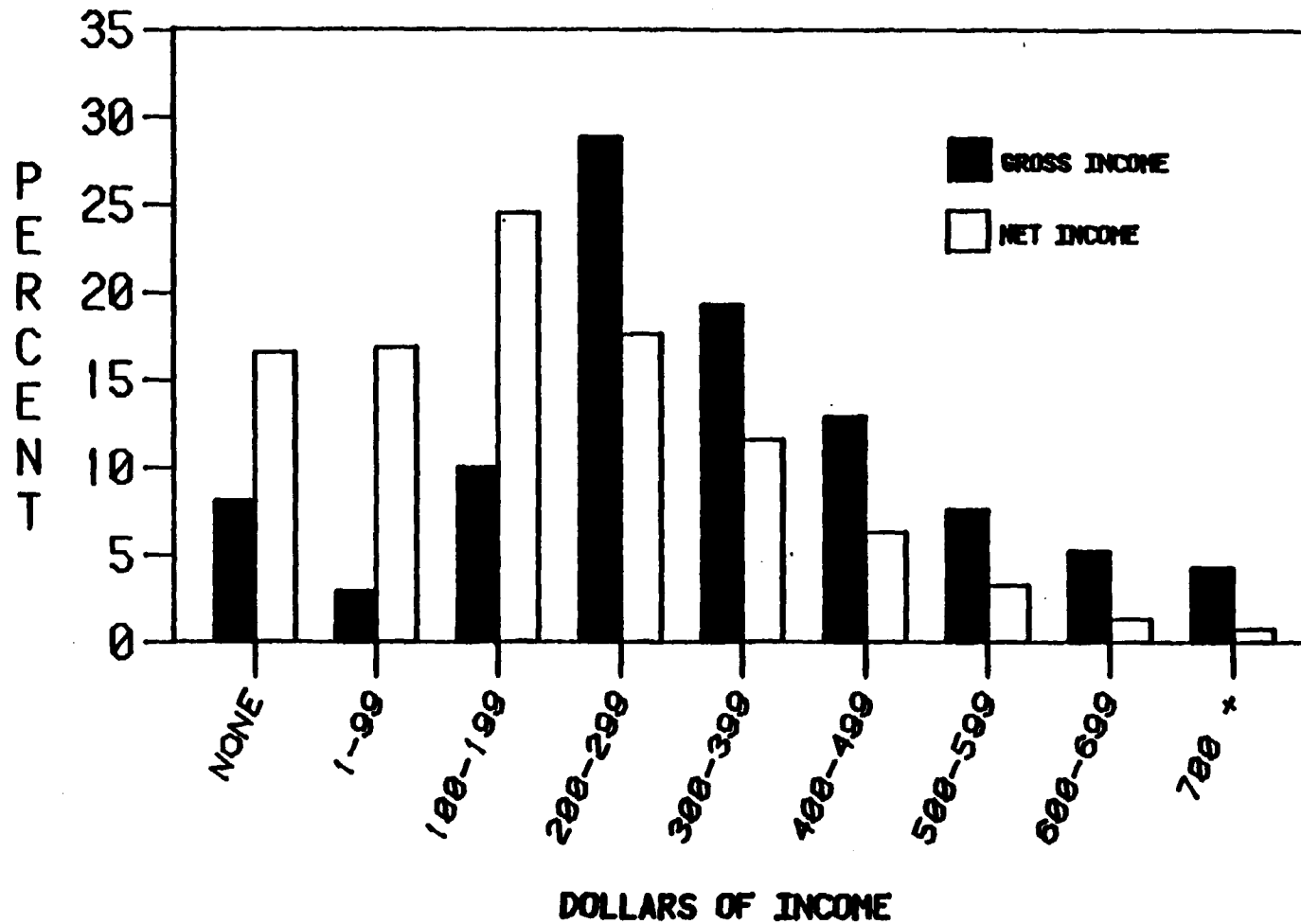


Table--2. Income Sources of Participating Households, August 1980

Source	Households ^{1/} Percent	Average ^{2/} Income Dollars
Earned Income	18.5	517
Social Security & Other Pensions	25.2	334
AFDC and General Assistance	47.2	351
SSI	18.2	306
Other	7.6	358

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample (Appendix, Table A-8).

^{1/}Does not add to 100 percent because some households receive income from more than one source.

^{2/}For households with income from specified source.

About one-fifth of the participating households had earned income (income from wages, salaries, training allowance and self-employment income). Households that had earned income were generally relatively larger in size, had higher incomes, more deductions, and received more monthly food stamp benefits than those that had no earned income. Earned income was the third most frequently received source of income and it was the largest in dollar amounts per household.

For households with earned incomes, the average size was larger, 3.7 persons compared with 2.7 persons for households with no earned income. Some 72 percent had three or more members compared with 43 percent for those households with no earned incomes (figure 2). Due to the larger household sizes and more allowable deductions from income, 41 percent received benefits of \$100 or more compared with 34 percent for households with no earned income. Of households with earned incomes, some 81 percent had gross incomes of \$300 or more compared with 42 percent for households with no earned income. Food stamp benefits per person averaged \$26 for households with earned incomes and \$34 per person for those with no earned incomes, reflecting the higher income household and larger average household size and the economies associated with larger size.

Employment Status

Some 10.2 percent of household heads were employed full time and another 4.8 percent were employed part-time in August 1980. Almost 83 percent were not working because they were either not in the work force (elderly, etc.) or could not find a job.

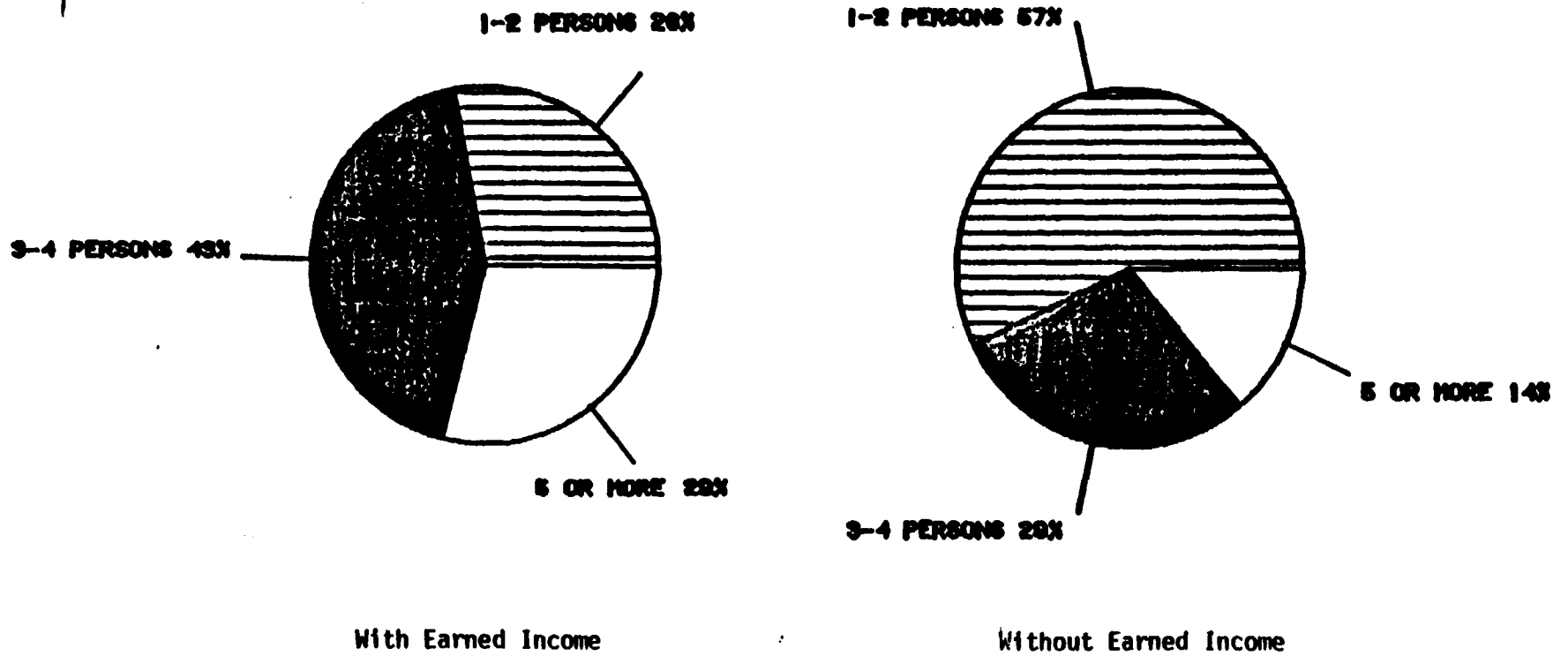
The Food Stamp Act of 1977 requires able-bodied persons, including those who are not working because of a strike or lock-out at their usual place of employment, to register for work and accept employment if offered.

Those exempted from the work requirement of the 1977 Food Stamp Act were persons:

- under 18 years of age or over 60;
- physically or mentally disabled to engage in gainful employment;
- responsible for care of dependent children or incapacitated adults;
- who worked at least 30 hours per week;
- enrolled at least half time in any school or training program recognized by any Federal, State or local government agency; or
- regularly participating in a drug addiction or alcoholic treatment program.

FIGURE 2

Households by Size With and Without Earned Income, August 1980



The Elderly

Food stamp households with one or more elderly members (age 60 or more) accounted for 22.6 percent of all households in August 1980. Some 15.2 percent of participating households had an elderly person and 7.4 percent had two elderly persons. No households reported more than two. The average size household with an elderly member was 1.6 persons.

For households with elderly persons, average gross monthly income was \$288 per month and net monthly income was \$160 in August 1980. This amount was \$50 less in gross income and \$44 less in net income per month than for households with no elderly persons. However, on a per capita basis, households with elderly had \$100 gross monthly income compared with \$64 for households with no elderly.

Deductions are less for households with elderly persons even though they are allowed an unlimited amount of shelter deductions for housing costs above 50 percent of their income and a medical deduction that is not available to other households. Deductions for households with elderly persons are lower in part due to the earned income deduction claimed most often by non-elderly households. Total deductions averaged \$136 per month for households with elderly compared with \$152 for households with no elderly members. Countable assets were greater for households with elderly. Monthly benefits per person were lower for households with elderly than for those with no elderly persons.

Household Size

Participating households are highly concentrated in the smaller household size groups. Some 30.8 percent of households were one-member households based on the August 1980 survey. More than one-half were one-and two-persons households and 83 percent had four or fewer members. As size increased, the proportion of households declined. The average size household was 2.8 persons.

Average household size varied considerably depending on the household characteristics (table 3). Households with earned income were above average in size. Those households with elderly persons were below average in size and considerable smaller than those with no elderly persons. If a household had children, the average household-size (3.8 persons) was considerably greater, as would be expected, than those with no children. If children were of school age the average size was even greater (4.2 persons).

Assets

In August 1980, almost three-fourths (74.9 percent) of participating households had no assets countable toward the eligibility criteria (table 4). Another 20 percent had countable assets of \$500 or less and 2.2 percent had countable assets valued from \$501 to \$1,000. Households with elderly persons had larger assets than those with no elderly persons, but even few of those households had assets in excess of \$1,000 in August 1980.

Table--3. Average Household Size, August 1980

Household Type	Household Size
All Households	2.8
With Earned Income	3.7
Without Earned Income	2.6
With Elderly	1.6
No Elderly	3.2
With Children	3.8
With Children School Age	4.2
No Children	1.4

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample (Appendix, Tables A-20, A-28, A-32, A-36)

Table--4. Countable Assets of Food Stamp Households, August 1980

Value	All Households	Households With Elderly
	Percent	
None	74.9	65.0
\$ 1 - 500	20.1	24.4
501 - 1,000	2.2	5.0
1,001 - 1,500	1.2	3.6
1,501 - 1,750	0.4	1.0
1,751 - 2,000	1/	0.1
2,001 - 3,000	0.1	0.3
Unknown	0.9	0.8

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample (Appendix, table A-17)

1/Less than 0.05 percent

Household Benefits

Benefits received per household averaged \$89 during August 1980. The average value of benefits received increased from \$39 for one-person households to \$296 for the 8-or-more-person households. Benefits per person declined, however, as household size increased, with the exception of the three-member households, reflecting in part the household size economies built into the Program.

Households with no gross monthly income received the largest dollar amount of benefits, \$130 per month and those with \$700 to \$799 of income received the least or \$72 (table 5).

Average benefits per household declined as income increased until the \$200 to \$299 per month income category was reached. At this income level, smaller sized households start becoming ineligible for participation in the Program. Benefits increased again until the \$600 to \$699 gross monthly income level was reached and more households become ineligible to participate. Average deductions increased along with income, and household size. For income levels at or above \$700, average benefits increased consistently with income, reflecting only the larger sized households remaining in the Program.

Household Characteristics Including Puerto Rico

More than one-half million households in Puerto Rico received benefits from the Food Stamp Program in August 1980. These households accounted for 6 percent of all participating households, 8.7 percent of persons participating and 9 percent

Table--5. Benefits, Deductions and Household Size of Food Stamp Households, by Income Levels, August 1980

Gross Monthly Income	Average Benefits	Average Deductions	Average Household Size
None	\$130	\$115	2.4
\$ 1 - 99	122	115	3.1
100 - 199	105	146	2.7
200 - 299	74	138	1.9
300 - 399	86	137	2.7
400 - 499	99	142	3.6
500 - 599	104	166	4.2
600 - 699	106	186	4.8
700 - 799	72	216	4.8
800 - 899	98	227	6.2
900 - 999	117	260	6.5
1,000+	114	281	7.6

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample (Appendix, Table A-15).

Table--6. Selected Characteristics of Food Stamp Households 48 States and D.C. Alone and With Puerto Rico, August 1980

Average	48 States and D.C.	48 States and D.C. Including Puerto Rico	Difference Due To Puerto Rico
Gross Monthly Income	\$326	\$321	-\$5
Net Monthly Income	194	189	- 5
Total Deductions ^{1/}	148	145	- 3
Countable Resources	66	64	- 2
Monthly Benefit	89	93	+ 4
Household Size	2.8	2.9	+ 0.1

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample

^{1/}Includes earned income, dependent care, excess shelter, medical, and standard deduction (\$75 in the 48 States and D.C. and \$45 in Puerto Rico). Combined dependent care/excess shelter deduction for households with no member age 60 or more of receiving SSI or Social Security disability payments was limited to \$90 in the 48 States and D.C. and \$35 in Puerto Rico.

Table--7. Distribution of Participating Households by Monthly Income, 48 States and D.C., Alone and with Puerto Rico, August 1980

Income Category	Gross Income		Net Income	
	48 States and D.C.	48 States and D.C. with Puerto Rico	48 States and D.C.	48 States and D.C. with Puerto Rico
	Percent			
None	8.1	8.6	16.6	18.3
\$ 1 - 99	2.9	4.2	16.9	16.9
100 - 199	10.0	10.5	24.6	23.8
200 - 299	28.9	27.8	17.7	17.3
300 - 399	19.3	18.7	11.6	11.5
400 - 499	12.9	12.6	6.3	6.2
500 - 599	7.6	7.5	3.3	3.1
600 - 699	5.2	5.2	1.4	1.3
700 - 799	2.0	2.0	0.6	0.6
800 - 899	1.2	1.1	0.1	0.1
900 - 999	0.7	0.7	1/	1/
1,000+	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1
Unknown	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample (Appendix, tables A-4, A-5, A-6 and A-7).

1/Less than 0.05 percent.

PART II

CHANGES IN HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS, 1975-1980

Introduction

Characteristics of households in the FSP for August 1980 are compared in this section with similar surveys for September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979. This comparison gives some insights into changes in household characteristics of food stamp households over time. It presents data before and after the passage and implementation of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, in early 1979, which brought about some far reaching changes in the Program.

Program Changes

Before implementation of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (effective in 1979) which provided for the elimination of the purchase requirement (EPR) for food stamp households, most participants were required to make a cash payment for their stamps. The value of stamps that a household received, or their allotment, was equal to their cash payment plus an additional amount received free known as the "bonus." After EPR, participants received the bonus only when no cash payment required.

The 1977 Act also raised the asset limit for non-elderly households to \$1,750 (effective January 1981) and set a limit on the market value of non-job-related automobiles that could be owned and remain eligible for participation in the Program. Other provisions of the Act reduced income eligibility limits; made work registration requirements more stringent, made those who had voluntarily quit a job ineligible for 60 days; and replaced the itemized deductions with a standard deduction available to all households; incorporated a 20 percent of earned income deduction (to replace the work related deduction); and combined the shelter and child care deduction. Also, the 1977 Act provided for expedited service for households that are destitute or have no income. These households can receive benefits within three days from application for stamps.

In 1979, Congress enacted additional excess medical expenses and excess shelter expense deductions for the elderly and those receiving SSI or Social Security disability payments. The asset limit for non-elderly households was reduced from the \$1,750 to \$1,500 in May 1980.

Gross Monthly Income

Average gross incomes reported in the household characteristics surveys increased consistently in current dollars from September 1975 except for November 1979 when a \$6 decline was reported. ^{1/} Household incomes reported in August 1980 were 9 percent higher than in September 1975. Average gross incomes for households participating in the Program was \$326 per month in August 1980 (table 8). This was \$12 more than reported for November 1979 and \$20 more than for February 1978.

^{1/}Data in the 1975, 1976, 1978 and 1979 Surveys included the 50 States and D.C., while the 1980 survey included only the 48 contiguous States and D.C.. Data for Puerto Rico were tabulated separately and added to the totals only when noted.

Table--8. Average Gross Monthly Income of Food Stamp Participants, 1975-1980*

Item	Sept. 1975	Sept. 1976	Feb. 1978	Nov. 1979	Aug. 1980
	-----Dollars-----				
<u>Average Gross Income per Household</u>					
In Current Dollars	298	301	306	314	326
In Constant Dollars ^{1/}	298	285	266	226	214
Percent Change from September 1975	-	-4.4	-10.7	-24.2	-28.2
<u>Average Gross Income Per Person</u>					
In Current Dollars	93	100	102	116	116
In Constant Dollars ^{1/}	93	95	89	84	76
Percent Change from September 1975	-	+2.2	-4.3	-9.7	-18.3

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys - September 1975, September 1976, February 1978 and November 1979

*Gross Income is defined as all income before countable deductions

^{1/}Adjusted to September 1975 dollars by change in CPI-W for all items (Urban Wage Earners and clerical workers).

Average incomes of participating households over the 5 years have crept higher in current dollars, but they have declined in "real" or constant dollars resulting in erosion of purchasing power for the average household.

In August 1980 average gross income for participating households, in 1975 constant dollars, was \$214. Participating households had 5 percent less purchasing power, in terms of real gross incomes, than in November 1979, 20 percent less than in February 1978, and 28 percent less than in September 1975. In part, this change has been due to legislative and other program changes designed to target the Program to lower income people.

Although real household incomes have declined substantially, the average size of household has also become smaller. Thus, the percentage decline in real income per person has been much less than the decline per household. In August 1980, the purchasing power per household member was 14 percent less than in February 1978 and 18 percent less than in September 1975. Meanwhile "real" per capita disposable income for the U.S. increased four percent from February 1978 to August 1980 and 14 percent from September 1975 to August 1980.

Gross Income Distribution

The distribution of households with respect to income has shifted over time reflecting program changes due to a combination of implementation of the 1977 Food Stamp Act beginning January of 1979, changes in average household size, and high rates of inflation. Prior to 1979 and implementation of the 1977 Act, 56 to 59 percent of households had incomes less than \$300 per month and about 39 percent had incomes from \$300 to \$699 according to survey data (table 9). After implementing the 1977 Act, 50 to 52 percent had incomes less than \$300 per month and 43 to 45 percent had household incomes from \$300 to \$699 per month.

In constant 1975 dollars, the percentage of participating households with less than \$300 of monthly income trended upward from September 1975 to August 1980 (table 10 and figure 3). In 1975, 59 percent of participating households had incomes of less than \$300 per month but this had increased to 66 percent by February 1978. After implementing the Food Stamp Act of 1977, the percentage increased to 76 percent in November 1979 and 78 percent in August 1980. The percentage with incomes of \$300 to \$699 per month declined from 39 percent in September 1975 to 22 percent in August 1980.

Income Deductions

Prior to January 1979, certain items such as income taxes, union dues, medical costs, and shelter costs in excess of specified levels were deducted from gross income to determine household eligibility. These deductions reflected actual expenses and averaged about 25 percent of gross income.

Under the 1977 amendments deduction were standardized for determining a household's countable or net income and their eligibility to participate. A standard deduction available to all households was indexed semiannually and a combined shelter and dependent care deduction was indexed annually through 1980.^{1/} Also, 20 percent of earned income was deductible. In 1979, Congress enacted additional excess medical expenses and excess shelter expense deductions for the elderly and those receiving SSI or Social Security Disability Payments.

^{1/}The standard deduction has since been indexed annually and indexing of deductions and the TFP have recently been delayed or stretched out.

Table--9. Distribution of Food Stamp Households by Gross Monthly Income, 1975-1980

Amount of Gross Monthly Income	Sept. 1975	Sept. 1976	Feb. 1978	Nov. 1979	Aug. 1980
	-----Percent-----				
None	3.0	2.8	4.6	6.4	8.1
\$ 1 - 99	4.0	3.2	3.0	2.2	2.9
100 - 199	26.4	25.1	24.0	15.0	10.0
200 - 299	25.6	27.5	26.0	28.8	28.9
300 - 399	18.6	18.8	18.3	19.0	19.3
400 - 499	10.2	10.4	10.9	11.6	12.9
500 - 599	5.7	5.8	6.2	7.2	7.6
600 - 699	3.0	3.1	3.2	4.7	5.2
700 - 799	1.6	1.6	1.9	2.6	2.0
800 - 899	0.8	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.2
900 - 999	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.7
1,000+	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4
Unknown	-	-	-	-	0.9
	-----Dollars-----				
Average		301	306	325	326

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys -- September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, November 1979

Table--10. Distribution of Food Stamp Households by Real Gross Monthly Income, 1975-1980 *

Amount of Real Gross Monthly Income	Sept. 1975	Sept. 1976	Feb. 1978	Nov. 1979	Aug. 1980
	-----Percent-----				
None	3.0	2.8	4.6	6.9	9.1
\$ 1 - 99	4.0	3.7	4.4	5.8	8.0
100 - 199	26.4	28.1	30.8	36.7	35.0
200 - 299	25.6	27.9	26.3	26.7	26.1
300 - 399	18.6	17.3	17.0	12.9	13.1
400 - 499	10.2	9.8	8.4	6.6	5.7
500 - 599	5.7	4.8	4.2	3.2	2.2
600 - 699	3.0	2.9	2.2	1.0	0.6
700 - 799	1.6	1.4	1.2	0.2	0.1
800 - 899	0.8	0.7	0.5	1/	1/
900 - 999	0.2	0.2	0.2	1/	0.1
1,000+	0.4	0.2	0.1	1/	1/
Unknown	-	-	-	-	0.9
	-----Dollars-----				
Average	298	285	266	226	214

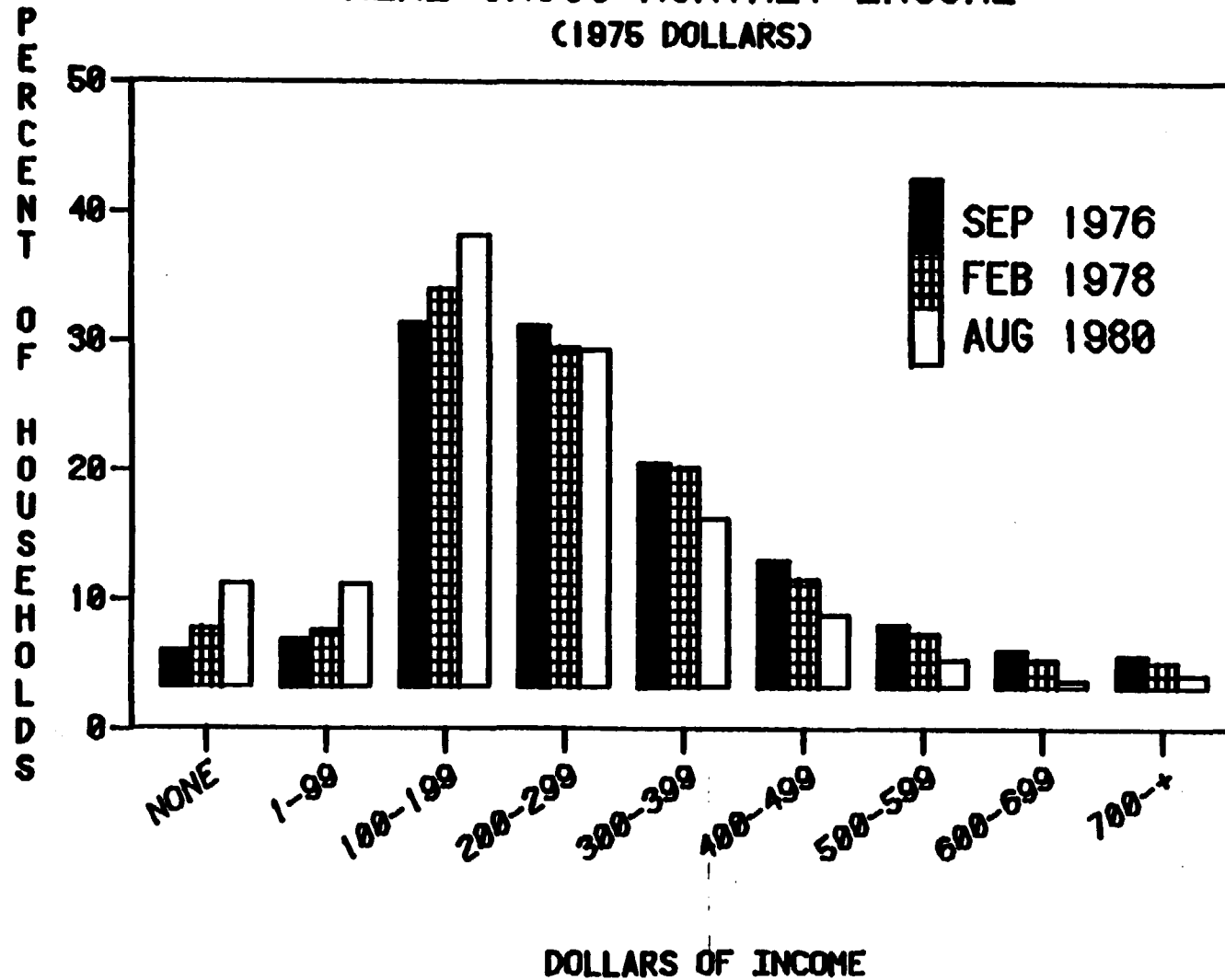
Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys -- September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, November 1979

*/Adjusted to September 1975 dollars by change in CPI-W for all items.

1/Less than 0.05 percent.

FIGURE 3

DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD STAMP HOUSEHOLDS
REAL GROSS MONTHLY INCOME
(1975 DOLLARS)



As a result, average total deductions per household trended upward from 1975 to 1980. In September 1975, deductions averaged \$77 per month but increased to \$90 in February 1978. After implementation of the 1977 Act in early 1979, average total deductions increased substantially to \$132 in November 1979 and \$148 in August 1980 (table 11). Average deductions for August 1980 in constant dollars increased 16 percent from September 1975 and increased 11.5 percent from February 1978. Most of the increase in average total deductions between 1975 and 1980 was due to the standardization of allowable deductions under the Food Stamp Act of 1977.

Net Income

In the August 1980 survey, net income averaged \$194 for participating households, substantially lower than the \$226 net income reported for February 1978. This differential reflected the larger amounts of allowable deductions from gross income for determining eligibility to participate in the Program under the 1977 Food Stamp Act. Also income limits for eligibility were decreased and some households whose incomes previously qualified them for food stamps became ineligible. Due to these changes net income for August 1980 ranged from 13 to 14 percent below that reported in the 1975, 1976 and 1978 surveys.

In constant 1975 dollars, net income averaged \$127 per month in August 1980, some 43 percent less than in September 1975 and 35 percent less than in February 1978. This drop was due mainly to the increase in average deductions and to the decline in "real" gross monthly income. Total deductions in constant dollars increased 16 percent from September 1975 to August 1980.

Increases in the maximum countable income that a household can have and be eligible to participate have not kept pace with growth in national average incomes. There were shifts in eligibility criteria in January 1979 and the method of indexing employed (tables 12 and 13). As a result, eligibility levels for 3-person household increased by about 22 percent over the 5-year period as compared with a 61 percent growth in U.S. per capita income. Small household sizes tended to have larger percentage increases in eligibility levels than the larger sized households. Average household size has become smaller, thereby mitigating a part of the shortfall due to increase in eligibility levels for households.

Average net income per person in constant dollars dropped 36 percent from \$70 in September 1975 to \$45 in August 1980 (table 11). This drop was less than for household incomes due to the smaller household size.

Net Income Distributions

The distribution of food stamp household by net income has shifted over time. About 18 percent of all households in September 1976 had less than \$100 net income compared with 34 percent in August 1980 (table 14). Some 52 percent of households had incomes below \$200 in 1976 and in 1978. More than half of all households were in the \$100 to \$300 income range in 1976 and 1978 compared with only 42 percent in August 1980. There was little change over this period in the percentage of households with net incomes over \$300 per month. The proportion of households with low net incomes grew faster than those with low gross incomes. But for the higher incomes categories, the percentage of net income households declined while they increased for gross income.

Table--11. Average Income, Deductions and Benefits of Food Stamp Participants, 1975-1980

Item	Sept. 1975	Sept. 1976	Feb. 1978	Nov. 1979	Aug. 1980
Current Dollars					
Gross Monthly Income	298	301	306	314	326
Net Monthly Income ^{1/}	223	224	226	196	194
Net Income Per Person	70	75	75	73	69
Total Deductions	77	80	90	132	148
Purchase Requirement or Benefit Reduction	57	57	57	21	21
Benefits Per Household	71	71	75	82	89
Benefits Per Person	22	24	25	30	32
Constant Dollars ^{2/}					
Gross Monthly Income	298	285	266	226	214
Net Monthly Income ^{1/}	223	212	196	141	127
Net Income Per Person	70	71	65	52	45
Total Deductions	75	73	78	85	87
Purchase Requirement or Benefit Reduction	57	54	50	N.A.	N.A.
Benefits Per Household	71	67	65	59	58
Benefits Per Person	22	22	22	22	21

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys -- September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, November 1979.

^{1/}Net income is gross income after allowable deductions.

^{2/}Adjusted to September 1975 dollars by CPI-W for all items.

Table--12. Change in Per Capita Disposable Income, 1975-1980
(Index, September 1975 = 100)

Period *	Index For	
	Current dollars	Constant dollars
September 1975	100.0	100.0
September 1976	108.2	103.3
February 1978	134.1	109.0
November 1979	151.5	114.7
August 1980	161.6	113.8

Source: "Survey of Current Business", U.S. Department of Commerce,
Bureau of Economic Analysis.

* Based on quarterly averages.

Table-13-Maximum Net Monthly Food Stamp Income Eligibility Levels, 1975-1980

Household Size	September 1975	September 1976	February 1978	November 1979	August 1980	Percent Change	
						September 1975 to August 1980	February 1978 to August 1980
	-----Dollars-----						
1	215	245	262	306	316	46.9	20.6
2	300	322	344	403	418	39.3	21.5
3	427	433	460	500	520	21.8	13.0
4	540	553	580	596	621	15.0	7.1
5	640	660	687	693	723	13.0	5.2
6	740	787	827	790	825	11.5	-0.2
7	833	873	913	886	926	11.1	1.4
8	926	993	1,049	983	1,028	11.0	-2.0
Each additional Member	+73	+127	+133	+97	+102	39.7	23.3

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Family Nutrition Programs, Program Development Division.

Table-14-Distribution of Food Stamp Households by Net Monthly Income, 1976-1980 *

Amount of Net Monthly Income	September 1976	February 1978	November 1979	August 1980
	-----Percent-----			
None	4.3	6.4	12.6	16.6
\$1 - 99	13.3	14.8	19.2	16.9
100 - 199	34.5	30.9	26.3	24.6
200 - 299	23.2	21.9	18.8	17.7
300 - 399	12.6	12.2	11.6	11.6
400 - 499	6.6	6.7	6.4	6.3
500 - 599	3.3	3.5	3.3	3.3
600 - 699	1.4	1.8	1.3	1.4
700 - 799	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.6
800 - 899	0.2	0.4	1/	0.1
900 - 999	0.1	0.8	1/	1/
1,000+	0.1	0.2	0	0.1
Unknown	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	0.9
	-----Dollars-----			
Average	224	226	196	194

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys - September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979

* Data not available for September 1975.

1/Less than 0.05 percent.

In constant 1975 dollars, the percentage of households with less than \$100 of net income trended upward from September 1976 to August 1980 (table 15). The largest change occurred when the 1977 Act was implemented in January 1979. ^{1/} Households with no net income increased from 4.3 percent to 16.6 percent of total food stamp households from September 1976 to August 1980. Those with \$1 to \$99 monthly income increased from 14.7 to 28.1 percent (figure 4). The percentage of households with \$100 or more of net income declined, continuing the trend experienced since 1976. For August 1980, 45 percent of households had real net incomes of less than \$100.

Income Sources

The percentage of households with earned incomes (wages, salaries, training allowances, and self-employment income) has generally declined over the 5-year period from 23.3 percent in September 1975 to 18.5 percent in August 1980 (table 16). This decline may have been associated with the declining size of households and consequent increase in numbers of households represented by the elderly. For those that had earned income, it accounted for a larger share of their average gross income--83 percent in August 1980 compared with 70 percent in September 1975.

Employment Status

Almost 83 percent of all household heads were not working in August 1980 either because they could not find work, were disabled, or were caring for a child or disabled person (table 17). This percentage has increased only slightly over time even with substantial increases in Program participation.

Some 10.2 percent of all household heads were employed full time in August 1980. In the September 1975 and September 1976 surveys more than 15 percent were employed full time but the percentage has declined since that time. Another 4.8 percent was employed part-time. This percentage has varied little over time.

Distribution by Household Size

Participating households are highly concentrated in the smaller household size groups. As size increases, the proportion of households decline (table 18). This pattern has been accentuated over time particularly since the 1977 food stamp legislation was implemented in 1979. Participating households have become more highly concentrated in the four-or-less sized households. The largest proportionate increase has been in the one-person household size.

Some 83 percent of households are in the four-or-less range compared with 77 to 79 percent prior to implementing the 1977 legislation. The percentage in each category with five or more members declined. Higher concentration of households in the smaller sized categories lowered the average size household to 2.8 persons in August 1980 from 3.0 in February, 1978.

^{1/}The 1977 Food Stamp Act was implemented in January 1979. However, households were converted to regulations of the new Act over an extended period of time.

Table-15-Distribution of Food Stamp Households by Real Net Monthly Income;
1975-1980 *

Amount of Real Net Monthly	September 1975	September 1976	February 1978	November 1979	August 1980
None		4.3	6.4	12.6	16.6
1 - 99		14.7	18.3	29.9	28.1
100 - 199		36.3	35.3	31.2	32.3
200 - 299		22.5	20.7	16.0	14.5
300 - 399		11.8	9.9	7.2	5.5
400 - 499		6.0	5.2	2.6	1.7
	N.A.				
500 - 599		2.6	2.3	0.5	0.3
600 - 699		1.2	1.0	0.1	0.7
700 - 799		0.3	0.4	-	<u>2/</u>
800 - 899		0.1	0.2	-	-
900 - 999		0.1	0.1	-	-
1,000+		<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	-	-
Unknown		-	-	-	0.9
		-----Dollars-----			
Average	223	212	196	141	127

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys - September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979.

* Adjusted to September 1975 dollars by change in CPI-W for all items.

1/ Data not available for September 1975. N.A. = not available

2/ Less than 0.05 percent.

FIGURE 4

DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD STAMP HOUSEHOLDS
REAL NET MONTHLY INCOME
(1975 DOLLARS)

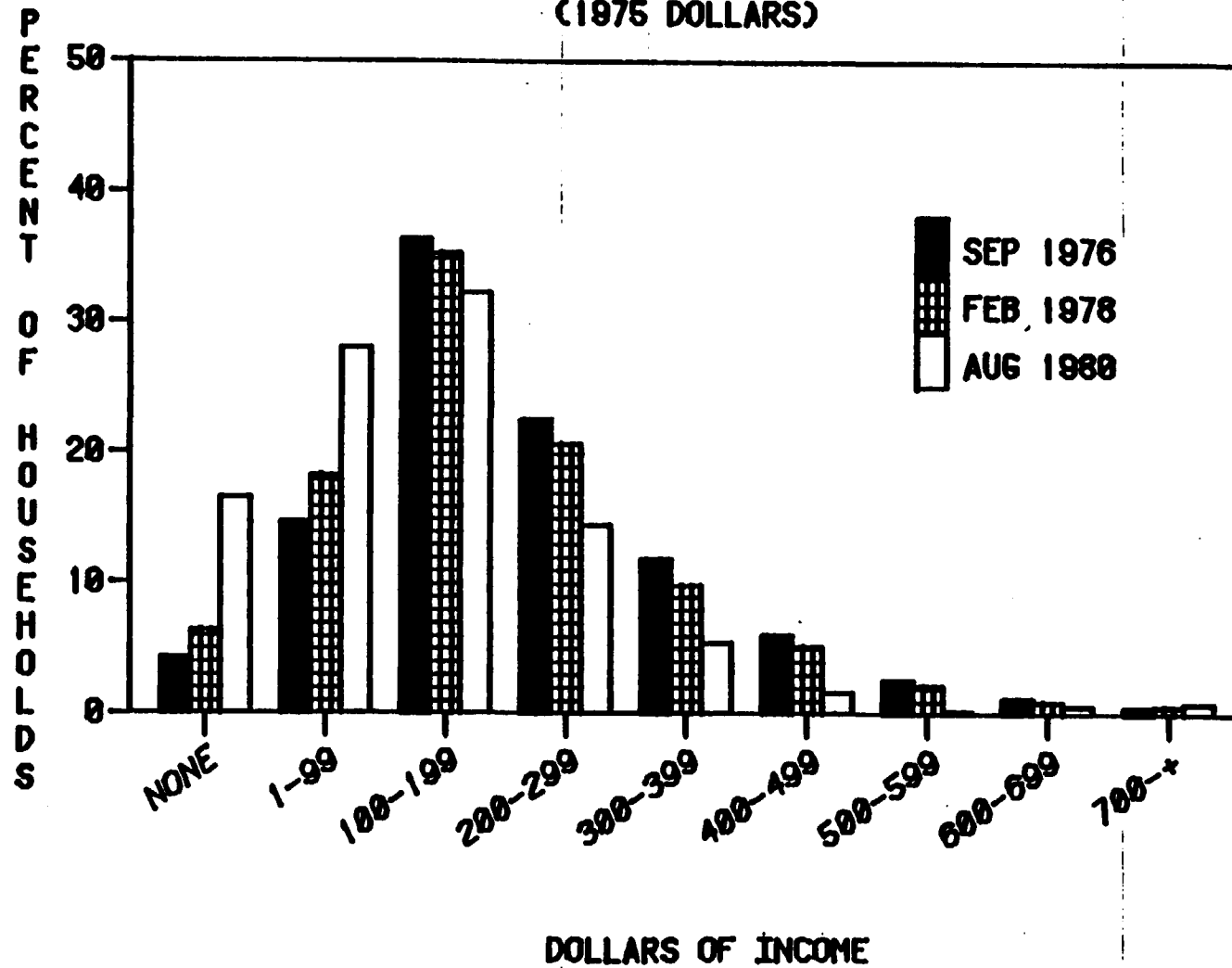


Table-16-Food Stamp Households with Earned and Unearned Income, 1975-1980

Income Source	September 1975	September 1976	February 1978	November 1979	August 1980
Earned Income					
Households (percent)	23.3	21.0	18.6	20.3	18.5
Current (dollars)	316	360	384	N.A.	430
Constant (dollars)	316	341	333	N.A.	282
Percent of Gross	70	78	78	N.A.	83
Unearned Income					
Current (dollars)	134	99	110	N.A.	87
Constant (dollars)	134	94	96	N.A.	57
Percent of Gross	30	22	22	N.A.	17
Households (percent)	76.7	79.0	81.4	79.7	81.5

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys - September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979.

Table-17-Employment Status of Food Stamp Household Heads,
1975-1980

Status	September 1975	September 1976	February 1978	November 1979	August 1980
	-----Percent-----				
Employed Full Time	15.5	15.7	11.7	11.0	10.2
Employed Part Time	4.5	3.9	4.5	4.8	4.8
Not Working	80.1	79.6	83.3	82.5	82.6
Unknown	N.A.	0.8	0.4	1.7	2.4

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys - September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979.

Table-18-Distribution of Food Stamp Households by Household Size, 1975-1980

Household Size	September 1975	September 1976	February 1978	November 1979	August 1980
	-----percent-----				
1	24.7	27.8	27.2	32.0	30.8
2	20.9	21.4	22.1	21.8	20.8
3	17.1	17.0	17.3	18.8	18.1
4	14.2	13.1	13.1	12.4	13.4
5	9.2	8.6	9.1	7.8	8.2
6	5.9	5.2	5.7	4.2	4.4
7	3.7	3.3	2.7	2.0	2.0
8+	4.2	3.5	2.8	1.0	2.4
	-----number-----				
Average	3.2	3.0	3.0	2.7	2.8

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys - September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979.

From November 1979 to August 1980, the previous pattern was interrupted with the percentage of one, two and three member households declining and those with four or more members increasing or remaining unchanged.

Assets

Compared with earlier characteristics surveys, a larger percentage of participating households had no countable assets in 1980. Fewer households, however, had assets valued from \$1 to \$500. But for the combined group having assets of \$500 or less the variation over the past 5 years has been small (table 19).

Comparison of countable assets of participating households over time is somewhat obscured by regulation changes that have occurred as to which assets are countable, changes in limitations on total countable assets and on the value of certain assets such as automobiles and other vehicles that are not work related. Perhaps the greatest change in the asset criteria occurred in early 1979, when the 1977 Food Stamp Act was implemented. Prior to that time, public assistance participants were categorically eligible for participation in the FSP and subject only to the asset and income limitations pertaining to those other programs. In earlier studies, therefore, assets of these households were not always available or reported. The August 1980 survey includes assets for these households.

The Elderly

Food stamp households with one or more elderly persons (age 60 or over) accounted for 22.6 percent of all households in August 1980--slightly below the 24.2 percent reported in the November 1979 survey (table 20). Some 19.5 percent of participating households had one elderly person and 3.1 percent had two. No households were reported with more than two elderly persons. The average size household with an elderly member was 1.6 in August 1980 compared with 1.1 in the November 1979 survey. Information from surveys prior to November 1979 are not comparable to data reported later due to a change in the definition of elderly from persons 60 years and older.

Table-19-Distribution of Food Stamp Households by Value of Total Countable Assets, 1975-1980*

Value	September 1975	September 1976	February 1978	November 1979	August 1980
	-----Percent-----				
None	67.3	59.3	64.4	71.4	74.9
\$1 - 500	25.8	27.7	29.1	23.0	20.1
501 - 1,000	3.8	3.5	3.5	2.5	2.2
1,001 - 1,500	2.4	2.3	1.7	1.4	1.2
1,501 - 3,000	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5
3,001+	<u>1/</u>	<u>1/</u>	0	-	<u>1/</u>
Assets Data Missing	-	6.5	0.6	-	0.9
Assets Data Incomplete	-	0.3	0.2	1.4	-

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys - September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979.

- Notes: (1) September 1975, September 1976, and February 1978 surveys exclude households with AFDC or SSI.
(2) Resource limit for elderly single and non-elderly households: \$1,500-thru 1978; \$1,750-1979 and 1980; \$1,500-1981.

1/ Less than 0.05 percent.

Table-20-Households with Elderly Persons in the Food Stamp Program 1975-1980*

Item	Age 65 Years or Over			Age 60 Year or Over	
	September 1975	September 1976	February 1978	November 1979	August 1980
<u>Household ^{1/}</u>					
Number	885	886	937	1,554	1,653
Percent	16.9	17.2	17.0	24.2	22.6
<u>Persons</u>					
Number	1,002	996	1,057	1,821	1,879
Percent	6.0	6.5	6.4	10.6	9.1
<u>Mean Gross Income</u>					
Current	223	228	N.A.	270 ^{1/}	288
Constant	223	216			189
<u>Mean Net Income</u>					
Current	178	184	N.A.	170 ^{1/}	160
Constant	178	174			105
<u>Average Household Size</u>	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.1	1.6

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample; Characteristics of Food Stamp Household Surveys - September 1975, September 1976, February 1978, and November 1979.

* Definition of elderly person was changed in 1978 from age 65 to age 60.

^{1/}Household headed by elderly.

N.A. = not available

APPENDIX A
Detailed Tabulations
of
Food Stamp Household Characteristics

Table A-1

Participation and Value of Benefits in the Food Stamp Program, U.S.
and Outlying Areas, August 1980

Area	Number of Households (000)	Number of People (000)	Value of Benefits (000)
United States	7,371	20,137	\$689,759
Continental U.S. <u>1/</u>	7,319	20,001	682,599
Alaska & Hawaii <u>1/</u>	52	136	7,160
Outlying Areas	517	1,918	71,791
Puerto Rico	503	1,860	68,828
Guam & Virgin Island <u>1/</u>	14	58	2,963
Total	7,888	22,055	761,550

Source: Food Stamp Bonus Obligation Control System.

1/Not included in target universe of study.

Table A-2

Households with Selected Characteristics, 48 States and 48 States
Including Puerto Rico

Characteristic	48 States		48 States Including Puerto Rico	
	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households
Zero Gross Income	596	8.1	672	8.6
Zero Net Income	1,213	16.6	1,428	18.3
Minimum Benefit <u>1/</u>	503	6.9	503	6.4
Elderly <u>2/</u>	1,653	22.6	1,787	22.8
Children <u>3/</u>	4,388	59.9	4,712	60.2
School Age Children <u>4/</u>	3,252	44.4	3,521	45.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/Minimum benefit is \$10 for one and two person households.

2/Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

3/Households with at least one member age 17 or less.

4/Households with at least one member age 5 to 17.

Table A-3

Distribution of Participating Households by Gross and Net Monthly Income, 48 States

Amount of Monthly Income	Gross Income		Net Income	
	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households
None	596	8.1	1,213	16.6
\$ 1 - 99	214	2.9	1,238	16.9
100 - 199	733	10.0	1,799	24.6
200 - 299	2,119	28.9	1,296	17.7
300 - 399	1,411	19.3	849	11.6
400 - 499	941	12.9	460	6.3
500 - 599	553	7.6	239	3.3
600 - 699	379	5.2	99	1.4
700 - 799	145	2.0	44	0.6
800 - 899	86	1.2	10	0.1
900 - 999	54	0.7	1	1/
1,000+	26	0.4	7	0.1
Unknown	63	0.9	63	0.9
Total	7,320	100.0	7,318	100.0
Average Income	\$326		\$194	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/Less than 0.05 percent.

Table A-4

Distribution of Participating Households by Gross Monthly Income and Household Size, 48 States

Gross Monthly Income	Number of Households (000)									Percent of All Households
	Household Size								Total Number	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+		
None	251	111	108	71	31	13	6	6	596	8.1
\$1 - 99	87	67	31	13	7	1	1	7	214	2.9
100 - 199	398	121	98	58	38	13	4	2	733	10.0
200 - 299	1,201	431	265	123	46	21	9	23	2,119	28.9
300 - 399	268	506	296	194	85	28	18	16	1,411	19.3
400 - 499	20	180	300	243	111	52	16	19	941	12.9
500 - 599	7	65	122	129	130	58	24	18	553	7.6
600 - 699	0	25	64	84	83	72	25	26	379	5.2
700 - 799	0	0	28	39	28	13	15	21	145	2.0
800 - 899	0	0	5	15	29	16	8	13	86	1.2
900 - 999	0	0	0	3	10	23	6	12	54	0.7
1,000+	0	0	0	0	0	5	11	10	26	0.4
Unknown	19	17	5	7	5	6	2	3	63	0.9
Number of Households	2,251	1,523	1,321	978	603	321	146	175	7,319	100.0
Percent of All Households	30.8	20.8	18.1	13.4	8.2	4.4	2.0	2.4	100.0	
Average Gross Income	\$207	289	345	400	466	534	571	575	\$326	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

Table A-5

Distribution of Participating Households by Gross Monthly Income and Household Size, 48 States Plus Puerto Rico

Gross Monthly Income	Number of Households (000)									Percent of All Households
	Household Size								Total Number	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+		
None	270	132	117	85	38	15	8	6	672	8.6
\$1 - 99	116	98	42	24	21	6	6	11	325	4.2
100 - 199	420	149	100	70	46	17	11	7	820	10.5
200 - 299	1,208	450	272	130	53	26	12	23	2,173	27.8
300 - 399	268	515	308	201	99	28	23	18	1,461	18.7
400 - 499	20	135	316	246	120	59	18	26	988	12.6
500 - 599	7	68	126	134	139	65	29	18	586	7.5
600 - 699	0	25	66	91	90	79	30	26	407	5.2
700 - 799	0	0	28	44	35	13	15	21	157	2.0
800 - 899	0	0	5	15	31	16	8	13	88	1.1
900 - 999	0	0	0	3	10	23	6	12	54	0.7
1,000+	0	0	0	0	0	8	11	10	29	0.4
Unknown	19	17	5	7	5	6	2	3	63	0.8
Number of Households (Totals)	2,327	1,636	1,388	1,049	688	361	179	194	7,823	100.0
Percent of All Households	29.8	20.9	17.7	13.4	8.8	4.6	2.3	2.5	100.0	
Average Gross Income	\$203	\$278	\$341	\$390	\$452	\$520	\$522	\$544	\$321	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

Table A-6

Distribution of Participating Households by Net Monthly Income and Household Size, 48 States

Net Monthly Income	Number of Households (000)									Percent of All Households
	Household Size								Total Number	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+		
None	627	202	181	119	46	20	10	8	1,213	16.6
\$1 - 99	687	253	147	79	37	17	6	13	1,238	16.9
100 - 199	700	523	292	159	60	30	14	20	1,799	24.6
200 - 299	211	326	370	216	112	29	14	17	1,296	17.7
300 - 399	8	186	226	187	142	61	21	19	849	11.6
400 - 499	0	17	91	150	108	58	16	20	460	6.3
500 - 599	0	0	7	56	59	54	28	35	239	3.3
600 - 699	0	0	1	4	32	34	20	8	99	1.4
700 - 799	0	0	0	2	1	12	6	22	44	0.6
800 - 899	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	2	10	0.1
900 - 999	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1/
1,000+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0.1
Unknown	19	17	5	7	5	6	2	3	63	0.9
Number of Households	2,251	1,523	1,321	978	603	321	146	175	7,319	100.0
Percent of All Households	30.8	20.8	18.1	13.4	8.2	4.4	2.0	2.4	100.0	
Average Net Income	\$87	\$164	\$205	\$256	\$321	\$381	\$421	\$428	\$194	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/Less than 0.05 percent.

Table A-7

Distribution of Participating Households by Net Monthly Income and Households Size, 48 States plus Puerto Rico

Net Monthly Income	Number of Households (000)									Percent of All Households
	Household Size								Total Number	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+		
None	684	261	202	150	70	27	19	15	1,428	18.3
\$1 - 99	701	281	154	88	46	26	10	16	1,323	16.9
100 - 199	705	544	306	169	67	30	19	20	1,860	23.8
200 - 299	211	331	379	221	133	34	19	24	1,352	17.3
300 - 399	8	186	240	199	154	68	26	21	901	11.5
400 - 499	0	17	91	155	115	68	21	20	486	6.2
500 - 599	0	0	7	56	64	54	28	35	244	3.1
600 - 699	0	0	1	4	32	34	20	8	99	1.3
700 - 799	0	0	0	2	1	15	6	22	46	0.6
800 - 899	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	2	10	0.1
900 - 999	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1/
1,000+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0.1
Unknown	19	17	5	7	5	6	2	3	63	0.8
Number of Households	2,327	1,636	1,388	1,049	688	361	179	194	7,823	100.0
Percent of All Households	29.8	20.9	17.7	13.4	8.8	4.6	2.3	2.5	100.0	
Average Net Income	\$85	\$155	\$203	\$247	\$306	\$367	\$374	\$400	\$189	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/Less than 0.05 percent.

Table A-8

Distribution of Participating Households by Income Source, 48 States

Amount of Monthly Income from Specified Source	Earned Income ^{1/}		Social Security and Other Pensions		AFDC or General Assistance		SSI		Other Income	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent	Number	Percent
None	5,901	80.6	5,413	74.0	3,801	51.9	5,926	81.0	6,703	91.6
\$1 - 99	167	2.3	53	0.7	349	4.8	454	6.2	214	2.9
100 - 199	138	1.9	559	7.6	655	8.9	308	4.2	122	1.7
200 - 299	172	2.3	672	9.2	888	12.1	498	6.8	86	1.2
300 - 399	141	1.9	340	4.6	857	11.7	53	0.7	50	0.7
400 - 499	156	2.1	143	2.0	430	5.9	15	0.2	52	0.7
500 - 599	219	3.0	60	0.8	186	2.5	2	3/	22	0.3
600 - 699	175	2.4	13	0.2	74	1.0	0	0	3	3/
700 - 799	77	1.1	3	3/	11	0.1	0	0	3	3/
800 - 899	54	0.7	0	0	1	3/	0	0	0	0
900 - 999	39	0.5	0	0	4	0.1	0	0	1	3/
1,000 +	16	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	63	0.9	63	0.9	63	0.9	63	0.9	63	0.9
Total Number of Households	7,319	100.0	7,319	100.0	7,319	100.0	7,319	100.0	7,319	100.0
Households with Specified Income	1,356	18.5	1,843	25.2	3,455	47.2	1,331	18.2	554	7.6
Average Amount of Specified Income ^{2/}	\$430		\$258		\$286		\$156		\$185	
Average Gross Income ^{2/}	\$517		\$334		\$351		\$306		\$358	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Earned income includes wages, salaries, training allowances, and self-employment income.^{2/}For households with income from specified sources.^{3/}Less than 0.05 percent.

Table A-9

Distribution of Participating Households by Gross Monthly Income as a Percentage of the Poverty Line for All Households, Households with Elderly, and Households with Children, 48 States

Gross Income as a Percentage of the Poverty Line <u>1/</u>	All Households		Households with Elderly <u>2/</u>		Households with Children <u>3/</u>	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
25% or less	918	12.5	61	3.7	516	11.8
26 - 50%	845	11.5	114	6.9	519	11.8
51 - 75%	2,373	32.4	500	30.2	1,542	35.1
76 - 100%	2,263	30.9	727	44.0	1,259	28.7
101 - 125%	646	8.8	220	13.3	365	8.3
126 - 130%	67	0.9	1	0.1	49	1.1
131 - 150%	109	1.5	18	1.1	74	1.7
151% or more	35	0.5	2	0.1	21	0.5
Unknown	63	0.9	11	0.7	42	1.0
Total	7,319	100.0	1,653	100.0	4,388	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/ Defined as the Office of Management and Budget's 1980 poverty income guidelines for nonfarm families in all states except Alaska and Hawaii (see Appendix B).

2/ Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

3/ Households with at least one member age 17 or less.

Table A-10

Distribution of Participating Households by Net Monthly Income as a Percentage of the Poverty Line for All Households, Households with Elderly, and Households with Children, 48 States

Net Income as a Percentage of the Poverty Line <u>1/</u>	All Households		Households with Elderly <u>1/</u>		Households with Children <u>2/</u>	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
25% or less	2,544	34.8	455	27.6	1,222	27.8
26 - 50%	2,289	31.3	486	29.4	1,552	35.4
51 - 75%	1,825	24.9	529	32.0	1,184	27.0
75 - 100%	593	8.1	169	10.2	383	8.7
101 - 125%	5	0.1	3	0.2	5	0.1
126 - 130%	0	0	0	0	0	0
131 - 150%	0	0	0	0	0	0
151% or more	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	63	0.9	11	0.7	42	1.0
Total	7,319	100.0	1,653	100.0	4,388	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/Defined as the Office of Management and Budget's 1980 poverty income guidelines for nonfarm families in all states except Alaska and Hawaii (see Appendix B).

2/Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

3/Households with at least one member age 17 or less.

Table A-11

Number of Participating Households Claiming Deductions,
and Value of Deduction Claimed, 48 States

Type of Deduction	Households Claiming Deduction		Average Value of Deduction	
	Number (000)	Percent	Over Claiming Households	Over All Households
Earned Income	1,353	18.5	\$86	\$16
Dependent Care <u>1/</u>	187	2.6	71	2
Shelter <u>2/</u>	4,886	66.8	81	55
Medical <u>3/</u>	115	1.6	53	1
Total <u>4/</u>	7,319	100.0	148	148

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/Limited by statute to a maximum of \$90 in August 1980.

2/Combined total of dependent care deduction and shelter deduction was limited to \$90 except for households where at least one member was age 60 or more or receiving SSI or Social Security disability payments.

3/Available only to households where at least one person was age 60 or more or receiving SSI or Social Security disability payments.

4/Includes \$75 standard deduction for all households.

Table A-12

Average Total Deduction for All Households by Gross Monthly Income and Household Size, 48 States

Gross Monthly Income	Average Total Deduction								All Households
	Household Size								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+	
None	\$104	\$119	\$135	\$162	\$134	\$217	\$ 75	\$165	\$124
\$1 - 99	127	124	205	141	146	75	280	106	139
100 - 199	152	142	152	150	136	163	199	118	149
200 - 299	143	131	141	149	130	123	130	106	140
300 - 399	148	133	138	141	123	182	138	103	138
400 - 499	195	146	139	144	139	136	153	170	144
500 - 599	251	208	202	152	147	150	121	141	168
600 - 699	0	279	241	208	170	132	146	137	186
700 - 799	0	0	270	237	209	217	146	179	218
800 - 899	0	0	329	246	246	212	219	152	228
900 - 999	0	0	0	348	290	268	215	218	260
1,000+	0	0	0	0	0	315	248	308	284
Average Total Deduction	141	139	156	159	153	165	156	154	148 <u>1</u> / ₂

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Total deduction includes earned income, dependent care, excess shelter, medical and \$75 standard deduction.

Table A-13

Average Total Deduction by Gross Monthly Income and Household Size, 48 States plus Puerto Rico

Gross Monthly Income	Average Total Deduction								All Households
	Household Size								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+	
None	\$100	\$108	\$128	\$143	\$117	\$190	\$ 66	\$165	\$115
\$1 - 99	113	107	167	98	99	69	125	90	115
100 - 199	148	131	150	141	128	141	123	85	146
200 - 299	142	127	140	144	123	116	113	106	138
300 - 399	148	133	138	139	120	182	134	96	137
400 - 499	195	146	137	144	139	132	150	155	142
500 - 599	251	207	200	152	148	142	119	141	166
600 - 699	0	279	240	207	170	135	151	137	186
700 - 799	0	0	270	235	203	217	146	179	216
800 - 899	0	0	329	246	244	212	219	152	227
900 - 999	0	0	0	348	290	268	215	218	260
1,000+	0	0	0	0	0	296	248	308	281
Average Total Deduction	139	134	153	154	148	158	146	147	145 <u>1</u> / ₂

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Total deduction includes earned income, dependent care, excess shelter, medical, and standard deduction (\$75 in the continental United States and \$45 in Puerto Rico).

Table A-14

Distribution of Participating Households by Amount of Monthly Food Stamp Benefit, 48 States

Amount of Monthly Benefit	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households
\$10 or less	503	6.9
11 - 25	512	7.0
26 - 50	1,100	15.0
51 - 75	1,725	23.6
76 - 100	839	11.5
101 - 150	1,345	18.4
151 - 200	729	10.0
201 - 300	428	5.9
301 or more	74	1.0
Unknown	63	0.9
Total	7,319	100.0
Average Benefit	\$89	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

Average Monthly Food Stamp Benefits by Gross Monthly Income and Household Size, 48 States

Gross Monthly Income	Average Monthly Benefits Per Household								All Households
	Household Size								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+	
None	\$63	\$115	\$165	\$209	\$248	\$298	\$329	\$504	\$130
\$ 1 - 99	63	114	164	208	248	298	329	403	122
100 - 199	57	101	157	201	235	287	329	456	105
200 - 299	32	81	129	176	213	262	296	424	74
300 - 399	18	52	101	147	177	247	263	361	86
400 - 499	10	28	77	116	155	201	237	302	99
500 - 599	10	19	62	93	127	180	200	282	104
600 - 699	0	12	45	77	106	143	177	264	106
700 - 799	0	0	24	54	89	139	150	221	72
800 - 899	0	0	17	38	65	107	140	233	98
900 - 999	0	0	0	39	54	101	112	225	117
1000+	0	0	0	0	0	83	79	169	114
Average Benefit Per Household	39	67	108	130	151	181	199	296	89 ^{1/}

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Entries in this table have been adjusted to reconcile household size with the value of the food stamp allotment.
The weighted average bonus computed from the adjusted values is \$93.

Table A-17

Distribution of Participating Households by Total Countable
Resources for All Households and Households with Elderly, 48 States

Value of Countable Resources ^{1/}	All Households		Households with Elderly ^{2/}	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
None	5,485	74.9	1,074	65.0
\$ 1 - 500	1,474	20.1	403	24.4
501 - 1000	162	2.2	82	5.0
1001 - 1500	90	1.2	59	3.6
1501 - 1750	32	0.4	16	1.0
1751 - 2000	1	3/	1	0.1
2001 - 3000	10	0.1	5	0.3
3001 - or more	1	3/	1	0.1
Unknown	63	0.9	11	0.7
Total	7,319	100.0	1,653	100.0
Average Value	\$ 66		\$ 152	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Statutory requirements in effect in August 1980 included as "countable" resources all types of assets except (1) equity in a home and (2) certain specified resources that cannot be readily liquidated or that are needed for employment or self-employment. At the time these data were collected, the resource limit for most households was \$1,750. Households of two or more, at least one of whom was age 60 or older, were allowed up to \$3,000.

^{2/}Households with at least one person age 60 or more.

^{3/}Less than 0.05 percent.

Table A-18

Households Originally Certified Through Expedited Service and those Regularly Certified, with and without Income, 48 States

Income	Households With Expedited Service ^{1/}		Other Households		Unknown	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
Zero Gross Income	210	48.9	376	5.5	10	12.2
Positive Gross Income	220	51.1	6,432	94.5	8	9.9
Unknown	0	0	0	0	63	77.9
Zero Net Income	271	63.1	932	13.7	10	12.2
Positive Net Income	159	36.9	5,877	86.3	8	9.9
Unknown	0	0	0	0	63	77.9
Total	430	100.0	6,808	100.0	81	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control sample.

^{1/}Households which initially were certified through expedited service but whose income subsequently may have been verified.

Table A-19

Distribution of Participating Households by Length of
Certification Period, 48 States

Months in Certification Period	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households
1	249	3.4
2	349	4.8
3	763	10.4
4	330	4.5
5	233	3.2
6	1,768	24.1
7	579	7.9
8	234	3.2
9	120	1.6
10	69	0.9
11	105	1.4
12+	2,423	33.1
Unknown	97	1.3
Total	7,319	100.0
Average Length	7.6	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

Table A-20

Distribution of Participating Households By Household Size, 48 States

Household Size	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households
1	2,251	30.8
2	1,523	20.8
3	1,321	18.1
4	978	13.4
5	603	8.2
6	321	4.4
7	146	2.0
8+	175	2.4
Total	7,319	100.0
Average Size	2.8	

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

Table A-21

Age Related Characteristics of Participating Households, 48 States

Characteristic	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households
Households with Elderly ^{1/}	1,653	22.6
Single-person elderly households ^{2/}	1,115	15.2
Other elderly households ^{3/}	539	7.4
Households with No Elderly	5,667	77.4
Households with Children ^{4/}	4,388	59.9
Households with School Age Children ^{5/}	3,252	44.4
Households with No Children	2,932	40.1

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

^{2/}Includes elderly single persons living alone or as a separate food stamp unit in a larger household.

^{3/}Includes elderly couples and other multiperson households with elderly members.

^{4/}Households with at least one member age 17 or less.

^{5/}Households with at least one member age 5 to 17.

Table A-22

Distribution of Participating Households By Household Size, Number of Elderly, Number of Children, and Number of School Age Children, 48 States

Characteristics	Number of Households (000)								All Households
	Household Size								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+	
Number of Elderly ^{1/}									
0	1,136	1,159	1,245	936	590	301	136	164	5,667
1	1,115	167	57	41	9	15	10	11	1,427
2	0	197	20	1	3	5	0	0	226
Number of Children ^{2/}									
0	2,219	531	107	42	19	2	1	10	2,932
1	32	969	335	50	9	3	3	8	1,410
2	0	23	872	464	59	15	1	3	1,437
3	0	0	7	422	272	47	13	6	767
4	0	0	0	0	242	170	20	14	447
5+	0	0	0	0	2	83	107	134	327
Number of School Age Children ^{3/}									
0	2,226	1,067	461	229	53	8	3	21	4,068
1	25	446	467	210	101	30	6	5	1,289
2	0	11	393	334	172	47	17	10	984
3	0	0	0	206	171	95	30	14	516
4	0	0	0	0	103	99	36	27	265
5+	0	0	0	0	2	42	55	98	197
Total	2,251	1,523	1,321	978	603	321	146	175	7,319

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Persons age 60 or more.

^{2/}Persons age 17 or less.

^{3/}Persons age 5 to 17.

Table A-23

Distribution of Participants By Age, 48 States

Age	Number of Persons (000)	Percent of All Persons
4 or less	3,288	15.9
5 - 17	6,959	33.6
18 - 35	5,125	24.8
36 - 59	2,631	12.7
60 or more	1,879	9.1
Unknown	800	3.9
Total	20,683	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

Table A-24

Age Related Characteristics of Participants, 48 States

Characteristics	Number of Participants (000)	Percent of All Participants
A. <u>Children</u> ^{1/}	<u>10,247</u>	<u>49.5</u>
1. Preschool children	3,288	15.9
2. School age children	6,959	33.6
B. <u>Adults</u> ^{2/}	<u>7,757</u>	<u>37.5</u>
1. <u>Parents</u>	5,951	28.8
a. <u>Single parents</u>	2,736	13.2
Living with elderly	76	0.4
Disabled	87	0.4
Other	2,574	12.4
b. <u>Multiple parents</u>	3,215	15.5
Living with elderly	69	0.3
Disabled	69	0.3
Living with disabled	100	0.5
Other	2,976	14.4
2. <u>Non Parents</u>	1,736	8.4
a. <u>Single adults</u>	1,266	6.1
Living with elderly	147	0.7
Disabled	237	1.1
Other	882	4.3
b. <u>Multiple adults</u>	470	2.3
Living with elderly	57	0.3
Disabled	21	0.1
Living with disabled	22	0.1
Other	370	1.8
3. <u>Unknown</u>	70	0.3
C. <u>Elderly</u> ^{3/}	<u>1,879</u>	<u>9.1</u>
D. <u>Age Unknown</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>3.9</u>
Total	20,683	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control sample.

^{1/}Persons age 17 or less.^{2/}Persons age 18 to 59.^{3/}Persons age 60 or more.

Table A-25

Distribution of Participating Households by Selected
Characteristics of Household Members, 48 States

Household with at least one:	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households
Alien	350	4.8
Migrant	14	0.2
Striker	28	0.4
Student ^{1/}	132	1.8

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Household members 18 years of age or older enrolled at least half-time in an institution of higher education.

Table A-26

Distribution of Participating Households by Employment
Status of Household Head, 48 States

Employment Status of Household Head	Number of Households (000)	Percent of All Households
Employed Full Time ^{1/}	745	10.2
Employed Part Time ^{2/}	350	4.8
Not Employed	6,046	82.6
Unknown	177	2.4
Total	7,319	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Employed at least 30 hours per week.

^{2/}Employed less than 30 hours per week.

Table A-27

Distribution of Households and Benefits for
Households with and without Earned Income, 48 States

Characteristics	Households		Benefits	
	Number (000)	Percent	Value (000)	Percent
Households with Earned Income ^{1/}	1,356	18.5	\$133,175	20.4
Households with No Earned Income	5,901	80.6	519,270	79.5
Unknown	63	0.9	358	0.1
Total	7,319	100.0	652,803	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Earned income includes wages, salaries, training allowances, and self-employment income.

Table A-28

Average Value of Selected Characteristics for Households
with and without Earned Income, 48 States*

Characteristic	Households With ^{1/} Earned Income	Households With No Earned Income
Gross Monthly Income	\$517	\$283
Net Monthly Income	310	167
Total Deduction ^{2/}	215	133
Countable Resources	73	65
Monthly Benefit	98	88
Household Size	3.7	2.6
Certification Period	5.4	8.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

* Excludes households where presence of earned income is not known.

^{1/}Earned income includes wages, salaries, training allowances, and self-employment income.

^{2/}Includes earned income, dependent care, excess shelter, medical, and \$75 standard deduction.

Table A-29

Number and Percentage of Households with and without Earned Income for Selected Characteristics, 48 States *

Households With:	Households with <u>1/</u> Earned Income		Households with No Earned Income	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
Zero Gross Income	0	0	596	10.1
Zero Net Income <u>2/</u>	133	9.8	1,079	18.3
Minimum Benefit <u>2/</u>	72	5.3	431	7.3
Elderly <u>3/</u>	122	9.0	1,520	27.8
Children <u>4/</u>	1,065	78.5	3,281	55.6
School Age Children <u>5/</u>	861	63.5	2,364	50.1

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

* Excludes households where presence of earned income is not known.

1/Earned income includes wages, salaries, training allowances, and self-employment income.

2/Minimum benefit is \$10 for one and two person households.

3/Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

4/Households with at least one member age 17 or less.

5/Households with at least one member age 5 to 17.

Table A-30

Comparison of Distribution of Participating Households on Selected
Characteristics for Households with and without Earned Income, 48 States *

Characteristics	Households with Earned Income ^{1/}		Households with No Earned Income	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
Household Size				
1 - 2	381	28.1	3,358	56.9
3 - 4	579	42.7	1,708	29.0
5+	395	29.2	834	14.2
Gross Income				
None	0	0	596	10.1
\$ 1 - 99	63	4.6	151	2.6
100 - 199	77	5.7	656	11.1
200 - 299	114	8.4	2,005	34.0
300 - 399	140	10.3	1,271	21.5
400 - 499	228	16.8	713	12.1
500+	735	54.2	508	8.6
Net Income				
None	133	9.8	1,079	18.3
\$ 1 - 99	114	8.4	1,124	19.0
100 - 199	155	11.4	1,644	27.9
200 - 299	256	18.8	1,040	17.6
300 - 399	281	20.7	568	9.6
400 - 499	194	14.3	267	4.5
500+	223	16.5	178	3.0
Benefits				
\$ 10 or less	72	5.3	431	7.3
11 - 50	266	19.6	1,346	22.8
51 - 100	465	34.3	2,099	35.6
101 - 200	428	31.6	1,646	27.9
201 - 300	104	7.7	324	5.5
301+	20	1.5	54	0.9
Total	1,356	100.0	5,901	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

* Excludes households where presence of earned income is not known.

^{1/}Earned income includes wages, salaries, training allowances, and self-employment income.

Table A-31

Distribution of Households and Benefits for Households
with Elderly and with No Elderly, 48 States

Characteristic	Households		Benefits	
	Number (000)	Percent	Value (000)	Percent
Households with Elderly <u>1</u> /	1,653	22.6	\$70,956	10.9
Households with No Elderly	5,667	77.4	581,847	89.1
Total	7,319	100.0	652,803	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.
1/Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

Table A-32

Average Values of Selected Characteristics for Households with Elderly and with No Elderly, 48 States

Characteristic	Households with Elderly <u>1/</u>	Households with No Elderly
Gross Monthly Income	\$288	\$338
Net Monthly Income	160	204
Total Deduction <u>2/</u>	136	152
Countable Resources <u>3/</u>	152	41
Monthly Benefit	43	103
Household Size	1.6	3.2
Certification Period	10.1	6.8

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

2/Includes earned income, dependent care, excess shelter, medical, and \$75 standard deduction.

3/At the time these data were collected, the resource limit for most households was \$1,750. Households of two or more, at least one of whom was age 60 or older, were allowed up to \$3,000.

Table A-33

Number and Percentage of Households with Elderly and with
No Elderly for Selected Characteristics, 48 States

Households with:	Households with Elderly <u>a/</u>		Households with No Elderly	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
Zero Gross Income	42	2.6	554	9.8
Zero Net Income	213	12.9	1,000	17.6
Minimum Benefit <u>b/</u>	341	20.6	162	2.9
Children <u>c/</u>	158	9.6	4,230	74.4
School Age Children <u>d/</u>	150	9.1	3,102	54.7

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

a/Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

b/Minimum benefit is \$10 for one and two person households.

c/Households with at least one member age 17 or less.

d/Households with at least one member age 5 to 17.

Table A-34

Comparison of Distribution of Participating Households on Selected
Characteristics for Households with Elderly and with No Elderly, 48 States

Characteristic	Households with Elderly ^{1/}		Households with No Elderly	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
Household Size				
1 - 2	1,479	89.5	2,295	40.5
3 - 4	119	7.2	2,180	38.5
5+	54	3.3	1,191	21.0
Gross Income				
None	42	2.6	554	9.8
\$ 1 - 99	20	1.2	194	3.4
100 - 199	131	7.9	602	10.6
200 - 299	869	52.6	1,250	22.1
300 - 399	358	21.7	1,053	18.6
400 - 499	147	8.9	794	14.0
500+	75	4.6	1,167	20.6
Unknown	11	0.7	52	0.9
Net Income				
None	213	12.9	1,000	17.6
\$ 1 - 99	312	18.9	925	16.3
100 - 199	598	36.2	1,201	21.2
200 - 299	310	18.7	986	17.4
300 - 399	157	9.5	692	12.2
400 - 499	28	1.7	433	7.6
500+	24	1.4	377	6.7
Unknown	11	0.7	52	0.9
Benefits				
\$ 10 or less	341	20.6	162	2.9
11 - 50	801	48.5	810	14.3
51 - 100	385	23.3	2,179	38.4
101 - 200	85	5.1	1,990	35.1
201 - 301	24	1.5	404	7.1
301+	5	0.3	70	1.2
Unknown	11	0.7	52	0.9
Total	1,653	100.0	5,667	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

Table A-35

Distribution of Households and Benefits for Households with Children, School Age Children, and No Children, 48 States

Characteristics	Households		Benefits	
	Number (000)	Percent	Value (000)	Percent
Households with Children ^{1/}	4,388	59.9	\$519,092	79.5
Households with School Age Children ^{2/}	3,252	44.6	414,316	63.5
Households with No Children	2,932	40.1	133,711	20.5
Total	7,319	100.0	652,803	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

^{1/}Households with at least one member age 17 or less.

^{2/}Households with at least one member age 5 to 17.

Table A-36

Average Values of Selected Characteristics for Households with
Children, School Age Children, and No Children, 48 States

Characteristic	Households with Children <u>1/</u>	Household with School Age Children <u>2/</u>	Households with no Children
Gross Monthly Income	\$387	\$412	\$236
Net Monthly Income	246	269	115
Total Deduction <u>3/</u>	154	155	141
Countable Resources	41	45	104
Monthly Benefit	118	127	46
Household Size	3.8	4.2	1.4
Certification Period	6.9	6.9	8.6

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

1/Households with at least one member age 17 or less.

2/Households with at least one member age 5 to 17.

3/Includes earned income, dependent care, excess shelter, medical, and
\$75 standard deduction.

Table A-37

Number and Percentage of Households with Children, School Age Children,
and No Children for Selected Characteristics, 48 States

Households With:	Households with Children <u>a/</u>		Households with School Age Children <u>b/</u>		Households with No Children	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
Zero Gross Income	283	6.4	198	6.1	314	10.7
Zero Net Income	473	10.8	337	10.4	740	25.2
Minimum Benefit <u>c/</u>	41	0.9	25	0.8	462	15.7
Elderly <u>d/</u>	158	3.6	150	4.6	1,495	51.0
School Age Children <u>b/</u>	3,252	74.1	3,252	100.0	0	0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

a/Households with at least one member 17 or less.

b/Households with at least one member age 5 to 17.

c/Minimum benefit is \$10 for one and two person households.

d/Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

Table A-38

Comparison of Distribution of Participating Households on Selected Characteristics
for Households with Children, School Age Children, and No Children, 48 States

Characteristic	Households with Children		Households with School Age Children		Households with no Children	
	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent	Number (000)	Percent
Household Size						
1 - 2	1,025	23.3	481	14.8	2,750	93.8
3 - 4	2,150	49.0	1,610	49.5	149	5.1
5+	1,213	27.6	1,160	35.7	32	1.1
Gross Income						
None	283	6.4	198	6.1	314	10.7
\$ 1 - 99	109	2.5	64	2.0	106	3.6
100 - 199	289	6.6	186	5.7	444	15.2
200 - 299	804	18.3	518	15.9	1,315	44.9
300 - 399	935	21.3	619	19.0	475	16.2
400 - 499	763	17.4	624	19.2	178	6.1
500+	1,164	26.5	1,017	31.3	78	2.7
Unknown	42	1.0	27	0.8	22	0.7
76 Net Income						
None	473	10.8	337	10.4	740	25.2
\$ 1 - 99	508	11.6	317	9.8	730	24.9
100 - 199	959	21.9	595	18.3	840	28.6
200 - 299	885	20.2	654	20.1	411	14.0
300 - 399	688	15.7	566	17.4	161	5.5
400 - 499	441	10.1	388	11.9	20	0.7
500+	392	8.9	367	11.3	9	0.3
Unknown	42	1.0	27	0.8	22	0.7
Benefits						
\$ 10 or less	41	0.9	25	0.8	462	15.7
11 - 50	390	8.9	257	7.9	1,222	41.7
51 - 100	1,516	34.6	971	29.9	1,048	35.7
101 - 200	1,906	43.4	1,521	46.8	168	5.7
201 - 300	420	9.6	379	11.6	8	0.3
301+	72	1.6	72	2.2	2	0.1
Unknown	42	1.0	27	0.8	22	0.7
Total	4,388	100.0	3,252	100.0	2,932	100.0

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.

Table A-39

Comparison of Average Values of Selected Characteristics (FSP)
for August 1980 and November 1979, 48 States

	November 1979	August 1980
Gross Monthly Income	\$314	\$326
Net Monthly Income	196	194
Total Deduction	132 <u>1/</u>	148 <u>2/</u>
Countable Resources	65	66
Monthly Benefit	82	89
Household Size (Persons)	2.7	2.8

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.
November 1979 Survey of Food Stamp Household Characteristics.

1/Includes earned income, dependent care, excess shelter, and \$70 standard deduction.

2/Includes earned income, dependent care, excess shelter, medical, and \$75 standard deduction.

Table A-40

Percentage of Households with Selected Characteristics
(FSP) for August 1980 and November 1979, 48 States

Households with:	November 1979	August 1980
Zero Gross Income	6.9	8.1
Zero Net Income	12.6	16.6
Minimum Benefit	7.8	6.9
Elderly ^{1/}	24.2	22.6
Children ^{2/}	51.4	59.9
School Age Children ^{3/}	38.5	44.4

Source: August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control Sample.
November 1979 Survey of Food Stamp Household Characteristics.

^{1/}Households with at least one member age 60 or more.

^{2/}In November 1979, households of three or more, at least one of whom is age 17 or less. In August 1980, households with at least one member age 17 or less.

^{3/}In November 1979, households of three or more, at least one of whom is age 5 to 17. In August 1980, households with at least one member age 5 to 17.

Appendix B

Office of Management and Budget Poverty Income Guidelines and Maximum Allowable Net Monthly Food Stamp Income Standards, August 1980

Household Size	Poverty Income ^{1/} Guidelines	Maximum Allowable Net Monthly Food Stamp Income Standards ^{2/}
1	\$3,790	\$316
2	5,010	418
3	6,230	520
4	7,450	621
5	8,670	723
6	9,890	825
7	11,110	926
8 ^{3/}	12,330	1,028

Source: Office of Management and Budget; Food and Nutrition Service.

^{1/}Annual income for nonfarm families in all States except Alaska and Hawaii.

^{2/}The food stamp income standards are equal to the poverty income guidelines divided by 12, rounded up to the nearest dollar.

^{3/}For households with more than eight members, add \$1,220 to the poverty income guidelines and \$102 to the maximum allowable net monthly food stamp income standards for each additional person.

Appendix C

Value of Maximum Coupon Allotment (Thrifty Food Plan) In
the 48 States and Puerto Rico, August 1980

Household Size	48 States	Puerto Rico
1	\$ 63	\$ 60
2	115	111
3	165	158
4	209	201
5	248	239
6	298	286
7	329	317
8 <u>1/</u>	376	362

Source: Food and Nutrition Service.

1/For households with more than eight members, add \$47 in the 48 States and \$45
in Puerto Rico for each additional person.

Appendix D

SOURCE AND RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES

1. Basis of August 1980 Survey

The summary tables are derived from a sample of households selected for review as part of the Food Stamp Quality Control (QC) System. This system is an ongoing review of food stamp household circumstances to determine (1) if households are eligible for participation and receiving the correct coupon allotment or (2) if household participation is correctly denied or terminated. The system is based on a national probability sample of approximately 45,000 participating food stamp households and a somewhat smaller number of denials and terminations every six months. The national QC sample of participating households is stratified by the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands, with required semiannual State samples ranging from a minimum of 150 to a maximum of 1200 reviews. State agencies select an independent sample each month whose size is generally proportional to the size of the monthly participating caseload.^{1/}

The survey reported here relies on the August 1980 Food Stamp Quality Control sample of participating households in a subsample of State agencies. The household characteristic information recorded on the Form FNS-245 Data Sheet (reflecting information in the case record) was supplemented by additional age and shelter cost information collected as part of the QC review but recorded elsewhere. (See Appendix E for the data collection form used.)

METHODOLOGY

Target Universe

The target universe of this study was all participating households (active cases) subject to quality control review in August 1980 in the continental United States (48 States and the District of Columbia). The August 1980 participating caseload in Puerto Rico was also sampled, but these results are not generally included in the tabulations. No information is available for Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

While almost all participating households are included in the active QC universe, certain types not amenable to review are not. Specifically, the active universe includes all households receiving food stamps during a review period except those in which the participants died or moved outside the State, received benefits by a disaster certification authorized by FNS, received benefits under a 60-day continuation of certification, were under investigation for Food Stamp Program fraud (including those with pending fraud hearings), were appealing a notice of adverse action when the review date falls within the time period covered by continued participation pending a hearing, or received restored benefits in accordance with the FNS-approved State manual but who were otherwise ineligible. The sampling unit within the active universe is the food stamp household as defined in an FNS-approved State manual.

^{1/}Several States have integrated the Food Stamp, AFDC, and Medicaid QC sample selection and review process. In these States, sample size is not necessarily proportional to the monthly caseload.

Sample Selection

States in the continental United States were stratified by the number of participants in June 1980 as shown below:

<u>Stratum</u>	<u>Number of States</u>	<u>Proportion of Total Caseload</u>	<u>Number Selected</u>	<u>Number of States Included in Preliminary Tabulations</u>
I	9	55%	9	8
II	16	31%	10	9
III	<u>24</u>	<u>14%</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
	49	100%	29	27

Each of the nine largest States (Stratum I) was selected with certainty. 2/
Ten States were selected with equal probability from both Stratum II and

	<u>Control Total</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
Number of Households <u>4/</u>	7,319,334	7,319,504
Number of People	20,001,026	20,683,219
Value of Benefits	\$682,599,477	\$652,802,988
Average Household Size	2.73	2.83
Average Bonus Per Person	\$34.12	\$31.49

Completion Rates

Failure to complete reviews for all cases selected subject to review can bias the sample results if the characteristics of unreviewed households are significantly different from those of reviewed households. While there are no direct measures of such differences, the QC review completion rate provides an indication of the magnitude of any potential bias. The expected number of cases subject to review in the August 1980 sample (equal to one-sixth of all cases reported as subject to review during April-September 1980), the number of valid observations, and the estimated completion rate are shown below. 5/

	<u>Number of Cases Selected Subject to Review</u>	<u>Number of Cases Completed</u>	<u>Estimated Completion Rate</u>
Including Pennsylvania	5,166	4,140	80.1%
Excluding Pennsylvania	4,948	4,140	83.7%

Completion rates are generally higher in the Southeast, Southwest, and Midwest regions.

4/ This estimate was constrained by an adjustment to the sample weights.

5/ The comparable rate for Puerto Rico is 94.7 percent.

2. Basis of November 1979 Survey

The sample for this survey was designed to support valid inference about the food stamp caseload on a national and regional basis. On a national basis detailed characteristics are presented for the 50 States and the District of Columbia only. No information was gathered in regard to Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, or Guam.

The sample for the survey was taken from households certified as eligible to receive food stamps in November 1979 as reflected by food stamp case records. The sample of 7962 households has been weighted up to approximately the number of participating households in the Food Stamp Program in November 1979 as reported on Form FNS-256.

The following are relevant weighted control figures for this survey:

Number of Households	6,426,503
Average Household Size	2.7
Number of People	17,184,162
Value of Benefits	\$529,222,522
Average Bonus Per Household	\$82.35
Average Bonus Per Person	\$30.80
Average Bonus Per Meal	\$.34

3. Basis of February 1978 Survey

Households were selected by a sample design that was a combination of stratified and cluster sampling. Project areas were stratified by size and FNS administrative Region. Within each stratum, a multi-stage sample of households was selected. The primary sampling unit was the project area; the secondary sampling unit was the certification office; and the final sampling unit was the household.

The three classifications used were:

Class I	-	Project areas that have 5,000 households or less.
Class II	-	Project areas that have more than 5,000 households but less than 80,000 people.
Class III	-	Project areas that have 80,000 or more people.

These size classifications for project areas along with the Regional classifications define the strata.

The total number of project areas selected was 312. The number of case files selected in the sample depended on the size of the sample project areas. Forty case files were selected from project areas with 5,000 or fewer households and less than 80,000 people; and 100 case files were selected from project areas with 80,000 or more people. The total number of case files selected in the sample was 15,440. There were 15,409 valid observations.

The sample for the 1978 Characteristics of Food Stamp Households survey was selected from the population of certified eligible households in February 1978. Although project areas maintain case files for each certified household, they are not required to count or report the total number of certified households. The size of the target population, therefore, has been estimated. This estimate was derived using State agency figures for February 1978 from project areas that were able to provide estimates of the number of certified households and the participation rate for specific certification offices. There were about 100 such

offices for which this information could be obtained.

4. Basis for September 1976 Survey

The second national survey of the characteristics of households participating in the Food Stamp Program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) included 11,980 households certified as eligible to receive food stamps in the month of September 1976. The data were obtained from food stamp case records by USDA field personnel and were edited, tabulated, and analyzed form by the Food Stamp Division of the Food and Nutrition Service.

The sample covered 50 States and D.C., with the profile of participants in Puerto Rico presented separately. The data have national and regional validity, but no inferences can be made about the characteristics of participants in any geographic area below the regional level.

5. Basis of September 1975 Survey

In October 1975, data were collected by Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) field staff from household records in welfare offices across the country and in Puerto Rico. A total of 11,508 records were sampled from households certified eligible for food stamps for September 1975.

Households were selected in a random fashion within a project, but 273 projects were selected according to a sampling plan designed to insure a statistically valid sample for national inferences. Adequate representation was required from the many different types of counties, as well as persons, in the Food Stamp Program.

In the 50 States, each of the 25 major projects with 80,000 or more food stamp recipients was selected with certainty. The remaining projects were stratified regionally, and within each region, projects were categorized by each of the following criteria:

1. Urban, rural;
2. Public Assistance (PA) or Nonpublic Assistance (NPA) predominant;
3. Small, medium, or large.

"Urban" meant that 50 percent or more of the project's entire population lived in an urban center based on the 1970 Census; "rural" meant that less than 50 percent lived in an urban center. "PA predominant" meant that, according to Food and Nutrition Service program data, 50 percent or more of the caseload in May 1975 was PA households; "NPA predominant" meant less than 50 percent was PA. "Small" projects contained less than 1,000 food stamp households in May 1975; "medium" had 1,000 to 5,000 households; "large" had more than 5,000 households, but less than 80,000.

A separate sampling plan was developed for the nine projects in Puerto Rico. San Juan was selected with certainty. Of the eight remaining Puerto Rico projects, statistical specifications required a minimum of four projects to be sampled.

Data were gathered from 11,508 records to ensure at least 10,000 valid observations. The intent was to allow for valid regional as well as national inferences. A total of 11,327 valid observations were obtained after careful editing.

Appendix E
DATA COLLECTION INSTRUMENT
August 1980 Survey
STATE DATA ACCESS PROJECT

MPRI #371

EMPLOYEE ID NUMBER

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STATE

DATE

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CASE RECORD

1. PROJECT AREA:

FIPS CODE:

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(1:2)

2. REVIEW NUMBER

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(1:3)

3. REVIEW DATE

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(1:4)

4. SAMPLE FRAME

(11:F)

1. ACTIVE

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2. NEGATIVE

5. SAMPLE MONTH AND YEAR

(11:C)

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IF NOT 08-80, STOP

6. DISPOSITION OF REVIEW

(11:E)

1. COMPLETE

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2. OTHER (02-06)

IF OTHER, STOP

7. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLD

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(1:II,1-10)

8. AGE OF EACH PERSON IN FOOD STAMP HOUSEHOLD

(1:II,1-10)

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9. SHELTER COST DETAIL FROM "ELIGIBILITY WORKER" COLUMN, PAGE 10

RENT/MORTGAGE

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OIL

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TAX AND INSURANCE

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WATER/SEWERAGE

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TOTAL UTILITY
STANDARD

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GARBAGE/TRASH

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TELEPHONE (BASIC
RATE)

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INSTALLATION OF UTILITIES

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ELECTRIC

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OTHER

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GAS

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TOTAL SHELTER COSTS

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I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

A. STATE AND LOCAL AGENCY
FIPS CODE

B. QC REVIEW NUMBER

C. SAMPLE MONTH AND YEAR

D. SAMPLE FRAME

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E. DISPOSITION OF CASE REVIEW

BLANK

II. CASE RECORD INFORMATION

F. MOST RECENT ACTION

BLANK

G. REASON FOR DENIAL OR TERMINATION

BLANK

H. RECEIVED EXPEDITED SERVICE:

1. YES
2. NO

I. NUMBER OF MONTHS IN CERTIFICATION PERIOD

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J. CERTIFIED HOUSEHOLD SIZE

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K. SPECIFIC HOUSEHOLD MEMBER CLASSIFICATION

(a) ALIEN

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(b) MIGRANT

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(c) STRIKER

☐

(d) STUDENT

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L. EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD AND SPOUSE

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD:

1. NOT EMPLOYED 3. EMPLOYED PART-TIME
2. EMPLOYED FULL-TIME

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SPOUSE:

1. NOT EMPLOYED 3. EMPLOYED PART-TIME
2. EMPLOYED FULL-TIME 4. NOT IN HOME

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M. MONTHLY INCOME

EARNED INCOME

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RSDI/PENSIONS/
OTHER BENEFITS

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PA OR GA

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TOTAL OTHER INCOME

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TOTAL GROSS INCOME

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NET INCOME

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N. RESOURCE AMOUNT

LIQUID RESOURCES

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REAL PROPERTY
(Exclude home and lot)

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NON-EXCLUDED VEHICLES
(Fair market value over \$4,500)

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NON-EXCLUDED VEHICLES
(Equity value)

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OTHER NONLIQUID
RESOURCES

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TOTAL RESOURCES

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O. DEDUCTION INFORMATION

EARNED INCOME
DEDUCTION

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DEPENDENT CARE
DEDUCTION

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MEDICAL
DEDUCTION

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ALLOWED SHELTER
DEDUCTION

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P. COUPON ALLOTMENT RECEIVED

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